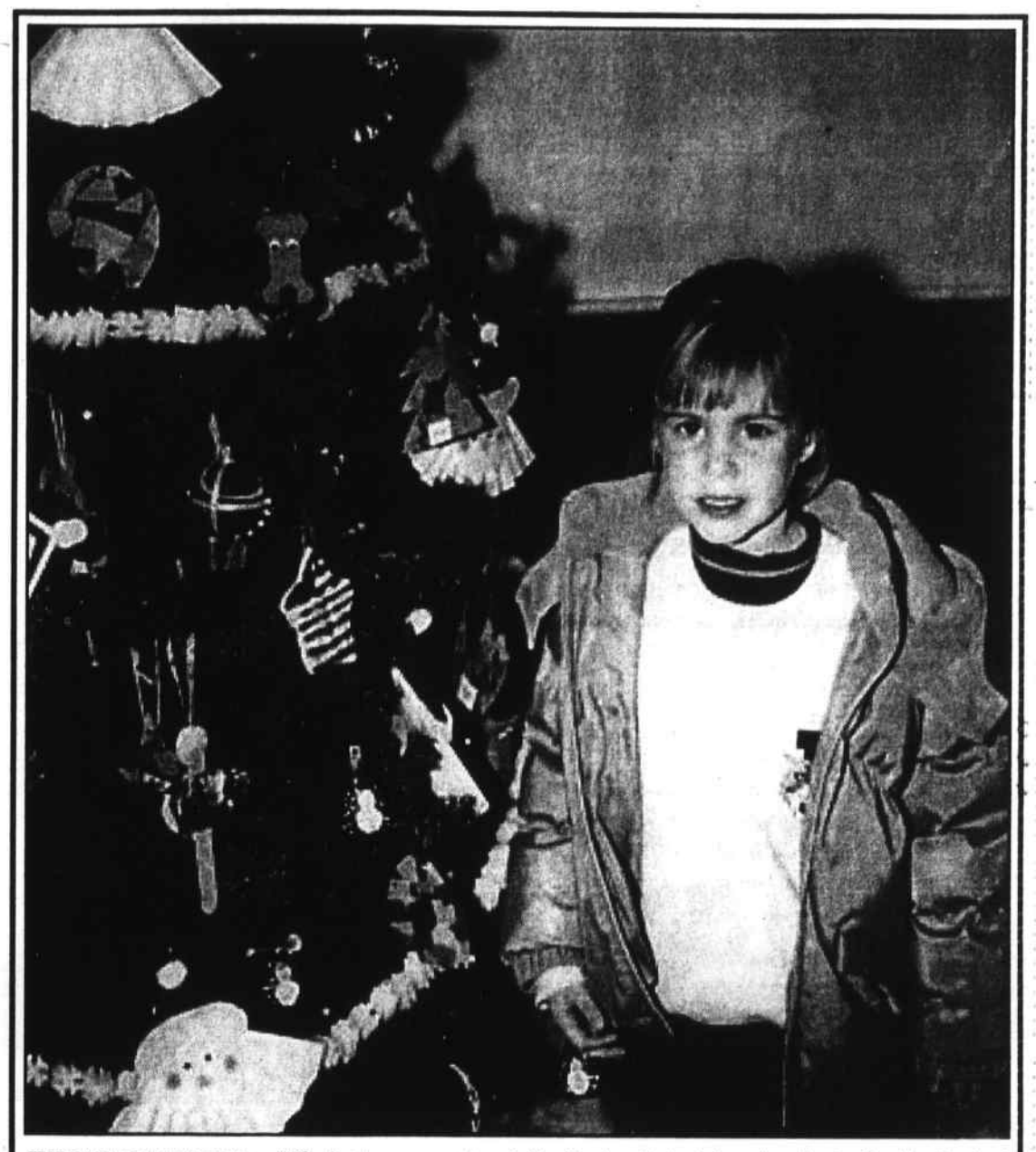
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SANTA'S HELPERS. Wilmington friends Candace Irving, 10, and Marissa Viera, 9, were two of the elves spotted at the Town Common during the Tree Lighting Ceremony on Saturday, December 1st. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



JULIA'S REINDEER. Wilmington youngster Julia Carter, 6, took her family to the Festival of Trees at the Art Council on Middlesex Ave. last weekend and showed them the reindeer ornament that she made out of candy canes and hung on the tree that was decorated by her and her fellow Brownies in Troop 1799. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



COLONIAL CHAT. Robert Ethier, left, and Mary Durkee, middle, enjoyed the holiday spirit with Wilmington resident Eileen Gilligan at the open house that was held at the Harnden Tavern on Salem Street on Sunday, December 2. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



HO, HO, HO! You-Know-Who made a special appearance at the Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Town Common in Wilmington on the night of Saturday, December 1. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



Seniors dined well on Sunday at Deming Way as members of the Wilmington Kiwanis Club provided a holiday feast to residents of Deming Way. Here Past Presidents Tom Sulik and Karen Boeri were adding the finishing touches - a fine cup of coffee to a fine meal which was enjoyed by more that 35 seniors. (Stu Neilson photo)



Shown here is the Town Crier Christmas tree that is on display at the Tewksbury Memorial Library. The tree was decorated by Town Crier photographer Maureen Lamoureux and her children Katelyn, Brittany, and Zach with photos from the year. The photos may be taken by the public. Maureen has thousands to replace them! (Stu Neilson photo)

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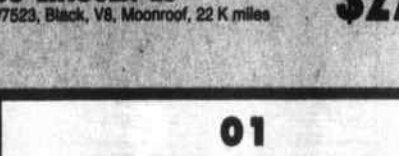
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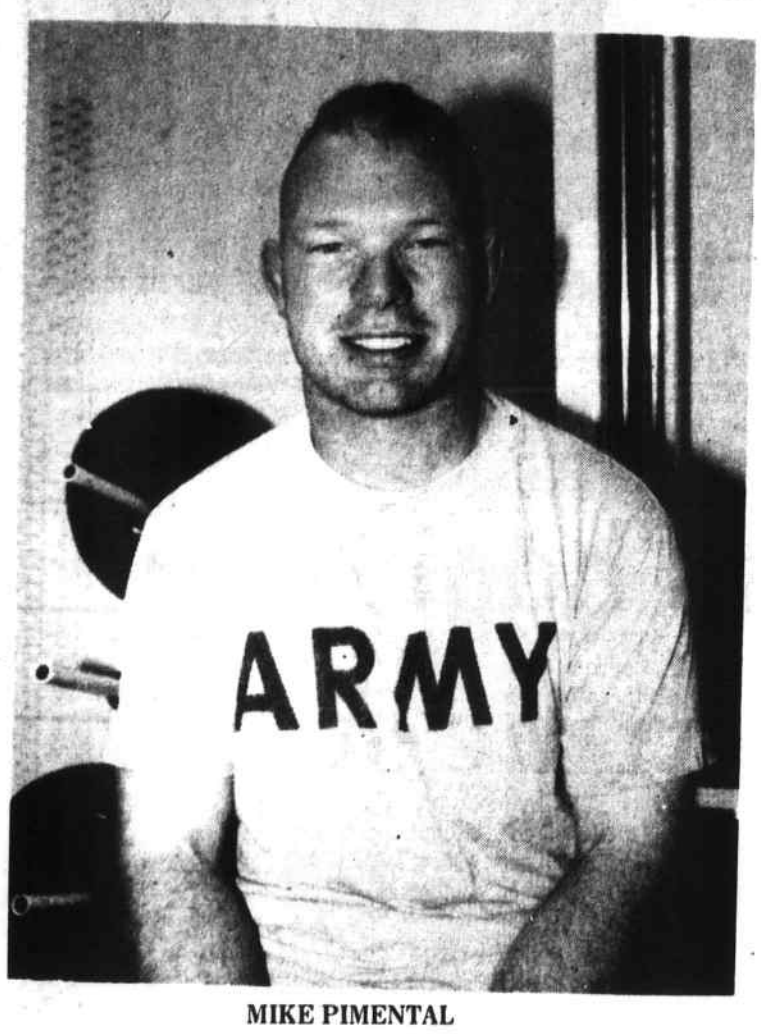
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Wilmington SPORTS

Coach of the Year: Mike Pimental



MIKE PIMENTAL

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

From the very moment Mike Pimental became the Wilmington High School wrestling coach he should've been named the Coach of the Year solely because of what he has done for the program.

Immediately he turned a program — which was on the downside including a coaching controversy — into an elite program which has certainly found its place on the wrestling map. Pimental immediately said no longer will the kids where hats in the buildings, no longer will they chew tobacco, no longer will the kids swear, no longer will the kids act inappropriately.

For now on the kids will be gentlemen. They will do well in school. They will act accordingly. They will dress accordingly. They will respect themselves, their teammates, the coaching staff, school officials, their classmates, their parents, their peers and of course their opposition.

If not, there was no place on his team for anyone who wouldn't follow his guidelines.

Already building the character of the program up when he begun as coach in 1994, Pimental had his work cut out for him in terms of wins and losses. And the 1999-2000 season it all came together for one spectacular season.

Here's a quick recap of what the program accomplished this past year:

• Finished at 12-7-1 overall which is the best record the team has ever had;

• Finished 7-1 in the Cape Ann League, second place to North Andover who the 'Cats lost to by 16 points in their lone dual meet loss;

• Won the Georgetown Invitational Tournament becoming the first Wildcat wrestling team in program history to ever win a tournament;

• Finished second as a team in the Cape Ann League Meet, the best finish in any league meet in the program's history;

• Finished second as a team in the Division 3 North Sectional Meet, the best finish by any Wildcat team in the program's history;

• Finished sixth as a team in the Division 3 State Meet, the best finish by any Wildcat team in the program's history;

• Had its third state champion in the school's history, all under the influence of Pimental. Marc Sollazzo won the 152-pound weight class at the Division 3 state meet, a year after Pat Heffernan was a state champ which came a few years after Billy Tate became the first Wilmington High state champion;

• Had three Cape Ann League champions, Sollazzo, Derek Hanley and Roman Walsh, the best showing at a league meet in school history;

• Had its first champion at the prestigious Mount Anthony Tournament — Pimental's high school in Vermont — as Sollazzo was the champion;

• Pimental was named the North Sectional Coach of the Year;

Said Pimental of the season, "In terms of wins and losses the season was by far the best one we've had [since I've been coach]. All [of the accomplishments mentioned above] have never been done before and we're really proud of the kids for everything they accomplished last year."

Pimental grew up in Bennington, Vermont and graduated from Mount Anthony High School in 1989. His junior year he was second at the state meet before he was crowned a state champion in his senior year. That year was the start of an incredible mark at Mount Anthony. That was the first year the team won the Vermont state championship. They haven't relinquished that title since. They will be going for their 15th straight Vermont state title this year.

Scott Legacy is the Mount Anthony coach who has been behind all of the success which includes being on the mat when Pimental was a state champ, as well as being named the National Coach of the Year twice. Along with the 14 straight state titles, Mount Anthony has won three New England titles. That's why it was so special for Sollazzo to win the championship at the annual Mount Anthony tournament which the Wildcats have participated in every year since Pimental's arrival.

After graduating from Mount Anthony, Pimental attended Springfield College and continued his wrestling career, while he got a degree to become a physical education teacher.

In 1994 he became a teacher at WHS, as well as becoming the third Wilmington High wrestling coach in the program's history. Since then it's been a perfect marriage.

"Someone told me the other day when I was going to practice that I looked like a little kid at Christmas," said Pimental. "To me coaching is better than Christmas. I have forty kids showing up to practice every single day to work hard, and who have the same interests and goals in the sport of wrestling that I have. And I have the kids for three months.

"That's better than Christmas which is just one day."

Respect is a huge word in Pimental's vocabulary. Since day one he has demanded his team know the very meaning of the word. And it's quite obvious they know it since the respect he has for them is certainly given back. Every kid on his team has a highly respect for the coach. He makes the program a lot of fun, while the kids learn the technical aspects of the sport.

On top of respect there is a lot of love for each and every kid. If you attend the Wrestling Sports Banquet at the end of the year then you know how much love there is. Pimental spends hours speaking of each and every kid, while he gives out more gifts to the kids on his team than a family of 10 would give out to each other on Christmas Day. But the kids feel the same way - when do you see a coach get a fancy fishing poll to go on his boat from the members of his team?

Certainly the WHS wrestling program has made a huge catch with Mike Pimental guiding the way.

Coach of the Year:

2001: Mike Pimental, Wrestling

2000: Steve Scanlon, Boys Soccer/Ice Hockey

1999: Steve Scanlon, Ice Hockey

1998:Dick Scanlon, Boys Soccer

1997: Dick Scanlon, Boys Soccer/Baseball

1996: Bob Almeida, Football

1995: Jim McCune, Boys Basketball

1994: Paul Lyman, Softball

Coach of the 90's Decade: Paul Lyman, Softball

What a way to tip-off the season

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Despite what the weather says winter season is here. That means the cole temperatures will be arriving, ski trips will be organized and we'll be watching the Boston Bruins and the Celtics in the middle of their schedules.

There's probably not too many fans out there who can actually say that the National Basketball Association is entertaining to watch. Zone defenses, three-point shots every two seconds and fouls being called every three seconds doesn't seem too appealing, whether or not a 40-year-old named Michael Jordan is playing.

But here in the local town of Wilmington we have our own Mike Jordan except he's 17 years old. Here in both Wilmington and Tewksbury we certainly have a lot of excitement when talking about basketball.

The Wildcat boys should carry on a winning tradition, the dramatic games and dramatic shots since they have several outstanding players who can all score a lot of points. Whether it's Jordan, Craig Osgood, Pat Taylor or Valente Nwachukwu, it should be a very exciting season for coach Jim McCune.

In Tewksbury a lot of hype has been created for Paulo Caldoncelli, the 6-7, 260 pound transfer from Brazil who had to sit out all of last year because he would be too much of an "impact player". Now he's eligible.

Add to that a sensational three-sport athlete named Mike Rocco, who stands at 6-3, a very hard working Andy Imbriglio, and several outside shooters and the potential for the Redmen to put themselves on the map seems to a real possibility.

To me there's nothing like going to a high school basketball game. I'll admit a lot of times I leave the gymnasiums with a headache because of the cheering and the hot temperatures, but actually there's nights where a headache is worth the excitement.

It can also get hectic between seeing a game on Tuesday night and coming back to the office late and writing up the game I saw, as well as talking to the other coaches who had away games. Yet somehow it's all worth it.

Then there's the Friday night games. With bleachers packed and the fans cheering for every basket certainly gets the juices flowing for the upcoming weekend.

This will be my ninth year covering the Wilmington Boys team. Every year they have talented guys who can score and defend whether it's been Brent Carbone, Rich Barden, Dan Kivlehan, Eric Clancy, Jeff Arciero, Scott Swiezynski, Eric Swiezynski, and now Nwachukwu, Pat Taylor, Jordan or Craig Osgood.

There's nothing like seeing a 20-foot swish hit nothing but net from any of those guys and seeing the emotional Jim McCune on the bench.

As for the Tewksbury Redmen, this will be my third year covering the team under Jim Sullivan. Before him I covered the team off and on under Jeff Nelson and I didn't cover the team in Sullivan's first year which saw them finish 2-18. This year because of the scheduling I'll be able to cover Sullivan's team. And I'll guarantee they won't finish 2-18.

They have the opportunity to do many great things this season in a very competitive league. They probably won't be scoring a lot of their points from Down Town as they have some big guys like Rocco and Caldoncelli who should be able to pound the ball inside on a daily basis.

It should be a lot of fun watching those guys post up and score their share of points just like guys like Tom Sinclair, Mike Torode, Roger Brasil, Danny Elliman and Mark Shea have done over the past eight years or so.

Turning to the girls teams, I've covered the Wildcat girls off and on the past handful of years. Sometimes the team has been a lot of fun to watch and sometimes it's been tough to sit there and watch one of their games.

This year I think they can be much better than last year. The one thing they need is a little consistency. With the outside shooters of Kristen Sauve and Lyndsey Borseti, and the inside presence of Sheri Thresher, the team should be able to score from both outside and inside.

I've covered the Tewksbury girls since the get-go and they've also hit the inconsistency bug. Some years they are fun to watch like 1997 with the likes of April Lambert, Nicole LeBoeuf, Kristen Cronin and Kerry Ford.

The 1998-'99 season was also a lot of fun as the team went to the state tournament without a senior on the team. Last year with the entire team back they struggled and managed just six wins.

This year the team has some pretty good potential with the likes of Rachel Burke, Kelly Boyle, Courtney O'Brien and Lindsey Cullity. If they can gel instantly and get some wins under their belt in the early goings their should be no reason why this team, and the other three hoop teams, can cause some damage and qualify for the state tournament.

There's nothing like high school basketball state tournament games in Massachusetts - by far the best sport for playoffs.

Seventh grade hoop team on fire to begin the season

The Wilmington seventh grade basketball team got their season off to a strong start winning eight of their first nine games. The boys also captured the championship of the annual Tewksbury Turkey Shootout Tournament.

In two early season match-ups the Wildcats defeated Billerica 45-42 and Tewksbury 45-26. Nick Duggan led the offense against Tewksbury with 11 points while Chris Dancoe added eight of his own.

In their first league game the Wildcats traveled to Dracut. The outcome was never in doubt as Wilmington came ready to play and coasted to a 55-27 victory. Pat Ryan led all scorers with 15 points.

On Thanksgiving weekend the boys traveled to Tewksbury to defend their title in the annual Turkey Shootout. Wilmington opened with last year's Middlesex League champion Wakefield. Pressure defense was the key to the Wildcats first half success as they held Wakefield to just five points in the first half and went into the locker room with a 16-5 lead.

Kyle Borseti led the offensive charge hitting five of six free throws while John Olivere threw in two big buckets. The Wildcats went on to a 36-18 victory.

In their second game the Wildcats faced a familiar foe, Dracut. The outcome was much the same as their first meeting as Wilmington dominated from the start as they cruised to a 53-23 win. Tim Kent led the scoring attack with 12 points and Mike Thomas chipped in with nine points. The win over Dracut put Wilmington in the semi-finals and set up a rematch of last year's MVL championship series with Billerica.

The Wildcats started slow in this one as Billerica jumped out to a seven point lead with two minutes left in the first half. But the Wildcats scored six unanswered points in the last two minutes to cut the halftime lead to 19-18.

The second half was a repeat of last year's championship game featuring great basketball by both teams. Dan Patterson gave the Wildcats a five point lead hitting a huge hoop down the stretch as the Wildcats went on to a 42-39 victory and a berth in the finals against Pelham.

Pelham came ready to upset the young Wildcats. They played a tight zone in an attempt to slow down the much quicker Wildcats. Their strategy would have worked if Wilmington had not played the best defense of the tournament.

Wilmington held Pelham to just five points in the first half but lead only 9-5. Josh Mayo did an outstanding job leading the offense at point guard in the second half as the Wildcats pushed their led to nine points with just four minutes to play. Pelham wouldn't quit. They hit three quick hoops and a free throw to cut the lead to just two points.

Brendan DeMango came up with two big rebounds and a steal to keep Pelham from tying the game and Wilmington held on to a 22-20 win for the championship.

The boys, as always, represented Wilmington well with their enthusiastic play and their display of sportsmanship.

Wilmington's only loss came the following night to Haverhill. The Hillies jumped out to a 12-0 lead as it looked like this would be a very long night for the Wildcats, but this team never quits. They battled back to trail 17-13 at the half.

Wilmington played tough in the second half as they closed the gap to just two points with six minutes to play. Greg Stewart led the charge with nine of his 12 points coming in the second half. Despite a tremendous effort by the entire team Haverhill had a little too much down the stretch as Wilmington lost its only game this season 46-38.

The Wildcats rebounded nicely from the loss to Haverhill as they hosted Salem on Saturday. Great pressure defense game the Wildcats a 29-11 lead at the half. Salem put a scare into the boys cutting their lead to just two points with eight minutes to go.

But Wilmington got their game back and went on to a 59-38 victory.

Basketball Jamboree on Saturday

The Wilmington High boys' basketball team will travel to Tewksbury High on Saturday for a local angel of high school basketball in the annual pre-season jamboree. At 5:45, Triton will face Whittier Tech and that will be followed by the Wilmington Wildcats taking on Shawsheen Tech at 6:30. At 7:15, Tewksbury will take on Tyngsboro.

Coming in the next few issues

This week begins the annual three weeks of awards given out by the Town Crier Sports Staff which has been done since 1994. This week the Coach of the Year was announced. Next week the Female Athlete of the Year will be featured, followed by the Male Athlete of the Year the following week. Just a reminder to everyone, the selections are picked by the sports staff here. The award winners don't have to go to Wilmington High School - they can be anyone from the town of Wilmington regardless of their age, school or sport.

Also in this week's edition inside are the winter season previews for the boys' and girls' basketball teams, as well as the wrestling teams. These teams are featured first because they begin their seasons before next week's issue comes out. Next week, we'll have the boys' and girls' track previews and boys' and girls' ice hockey. Shawsheen winter sports previews will also appear in next week's edition..

Lady Wildcats rearing for a productive season

By MATT KALMAN
Sports Correspondent

Three of the five starting spots are set leaving two slots up for grabs on the Wilmington High girls' basketball team with one week until the season starts.

While the starting five might be in doubt, there's no denying the fact that the Wildcats are primed and ready for a better run in 2001-02 than the one they had last season.

The Wildcats finished 7-12 in 2000-01 under first-year coach Bob Gillis. Wilmington, however, used the losing season as motivation over the summer and it worked on improving before Gillis' second year on the sidelines.

"They worked hard in the offseason," said Gillis. "None of them surprised me. I was kind of aware that they were working hard. I knew they had good talent and needed to get to work hard.

"I'm calling plays now and they know them all."

Among the competition at the summer leagues Wilmington played in were rivals Andover and Chelmsford.

"They did fine," said Gillis about his squad's summer performances.

Gillis has two senior co-captains this season on a team that sports seven seniors. Kristen Sauve, a 5-foot-11 forward, and 5-7 shooting guard Lyndsey Borseti will share the leadership responsibilities.

"All my seniors are doing a great job of leadership," said Gillis. "They've bonded behind the captains and set an example for the younger kids. I look at it like I have seven captains."

Sauve and Borseti will be joined in the starting lineup by junior point guard Lauren Rappoli, who shared time at the point last season.

"She'll (Rappoli) do excellent," said Gillis. "I'm going to be very happy because she's a great player."

As point guard, Rappoli will be in charge of making sure the Wildcats stick to Gillis' plan of running opponents' ragged.

"We like to push the ball as much as we can," said Gillis. "We try and get up the floor as much as possible. We're constantly moving, setting screens, backdoors, things like that.

"We have a deep group and we want to keep up the tempo and wear down teams that don't have as many players."

That deep group includes senior guard Lisa Antonangeli; senior forwards Jen Gillis, Julie Cronin, Kristen Pizzotti and Sheri Thresher; junior guard/forwards Danny Spry and Stacy Comer; and junior center/forward Keri Gillespie.

Coach Gillis has seen improvement in all areas of his players' game.

"They're shooting much better and dribbling much better," said Gillis. "And they're executing on offense and defense much better as well."

Defensively, Wilmington will stick to a man-to-man strategy, with a twist every now and then.

"We're looking for some zone traps on defense," said Gillis. "Otherwise, man-to-man will be a staple."

Before the season starts, Gillis wants his team to hit the glass better.

"One thing that needs improvement is rebounding," said Gillis. "My goal for next week is get a little more physical on the rebounding end," said Gillis. "All other aspects are all right."

Of course, then there's the matter of distributing playing time. That can be a difficult task.

"It can be easy (having seven seniors) and it can be hard," said Gillis. "With this group, I think it's easier. I have seven seniors and only five can play. But this is a good group and that shouldn't be a problem."

The Wildcats should be a good enough group to challenge Newburyport, Triton and Masconomet, teams Gillis pointed to as the best in the Cape Ann League this season. One thing is certain. Wilmington is focused on the task at hand.

"Having gone 7-12, they weren't happy with that and they want to deep in the states," said Gillis. "It's going to be fun. Hopefully, we can contend for a title. After going 7-12, that's a lofty goal. But that's what the girls worked so hard for."



THE WILMINGTON HIGH WRESTLING TEAM opens its season at home on Saturday. Pictured are the seniors on the team. Back row from left are: Sang Ngo, Jason Cranford and Steve O'Dea. Front row from left: Chris Minghella, Derek Hanley, John McMahan and Justin Strem. (Photo by Maureen Lamoureux).

Wrestlers hoping to match terrific season

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Last season was the Wilmington High wrestling program's best one both as a team and as individuals. Coach Mike Pimental, now in his 8th year, was extremely happy over last year's success and now he would like his team to build on the success and get to the next level. But the question remains can they?

"We're very excited about the season," he said. "We have a lot of depth on the team. In every weight class but one we have between three and six kids fighting out for a spot which is something we've never had here. I don't want to set expectations, but I'd think we could at least match what we what did last year. But certainly I'm hoping we do even better than that."

Last year Marc Sollazzo became the program's third state champion under Pimental and the second state champ in as many years. The coach also saw his team finish 12-7-1 overall including 7-1 in the league which was good for second place. The team also won its first tournament, finish second in the North Sectional Meet and sixth at Division 3 Meet which is unheard of in Wildcat Wrestling Country.

Although the team lost Sollazzo and several other good wrestlers, his team returns many very good wrestlers for this year's team which gets underway with a home tri-meet on Saturday at 1:00 pm.

"The kids seem to be very excited," said Pimental. "All of us on the staff are really excited too. We're always going to be proud of the kids no matter how many wins or places they get - as long as work hard and try their best that's all we can ask for. The other day I thought we had the best practice I've ever seen here.

"The team seems to be a very close knit team, and the kids are all very motivated and that's very exciting. I think we have the chance to have several state champions. We have the potential to keep the ball rolling."

Among the better wrestlers on the team include junior captain Derek Hanley, seniors John McMahan, also a captain, Justin Strem, Chris Minghella, Sang Ngo, and junior Roman Walsh. There's also a lot of up and coming wrestlers including several very impressive freshmen.

Hanley was a Cape Ann League Champ, a Sectional Champion and he finished third at the state meet. He is presently ranked sixth in the entire state in the 140-pound weight class according to the Massachusetts High School Wrestling Website.

Walsh, also a junior, was a CAL Champ, a sectional runner-up and he is also ranked sixth in the entire state in the 130-pound weight class. McMahan, Strem, Minghella and Ngo have also had success in the league and sectional meets and all of them have worked extremely hard over the summer months to improve and to get to that next level.

McMahan has big expectations at the 145-pound weight class to improve on his fifth place finish in last year's sectionals. Strem was second at the CAL Meet and the three-year starter will look to improve on that in the 103-pound division.

Minghella has over 50 wins in his career and when he's focused he's very good with outstanding capabilities. Last year he finished second in the CAL Meet, while he is a three-time sectional place finisher. He'll be in the 112-pound division. Ngo, came on very strong last year to take third in the sectionals and he'll be lining up in the 125-pound class.

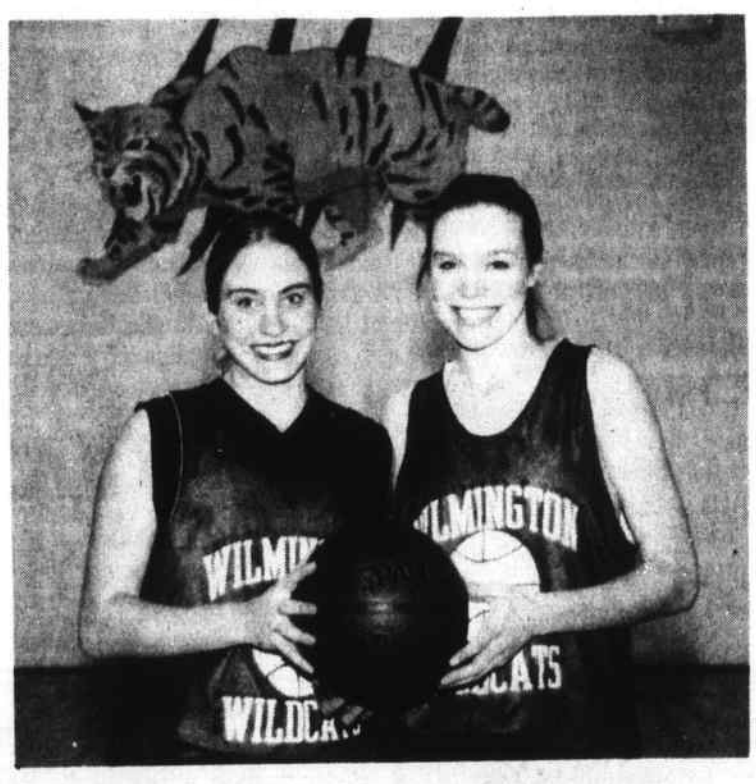
However of all of those weight classes, other promising wrestlers will certainly make the front-runners work that much harder to secure their spots. At 103, Justin Strem will see competition from his brother Brendan, as well as Chris McGrath and freshman Tim Sughrue, who has been very impressive thus far. At 125, Ngo will see competition from Chris Kitteredge a junior, and sophomore Dave Nguyen.

Other battles will come in the 135-pound class, the 160-pound division and the 215-pound division. Sophomore Mike Aronofsky who went to two summer camps looks very good as does Jordan Weiner, who was 35-0 last year on the JV team. They'll be competing at 135.

At 160, senior Jason Cranford, who also went to several camps over the summer, will be competing with sophomore David Paris. At 215, junior Phil O'Brien will battle freshman Greg Bowand for the top spot.

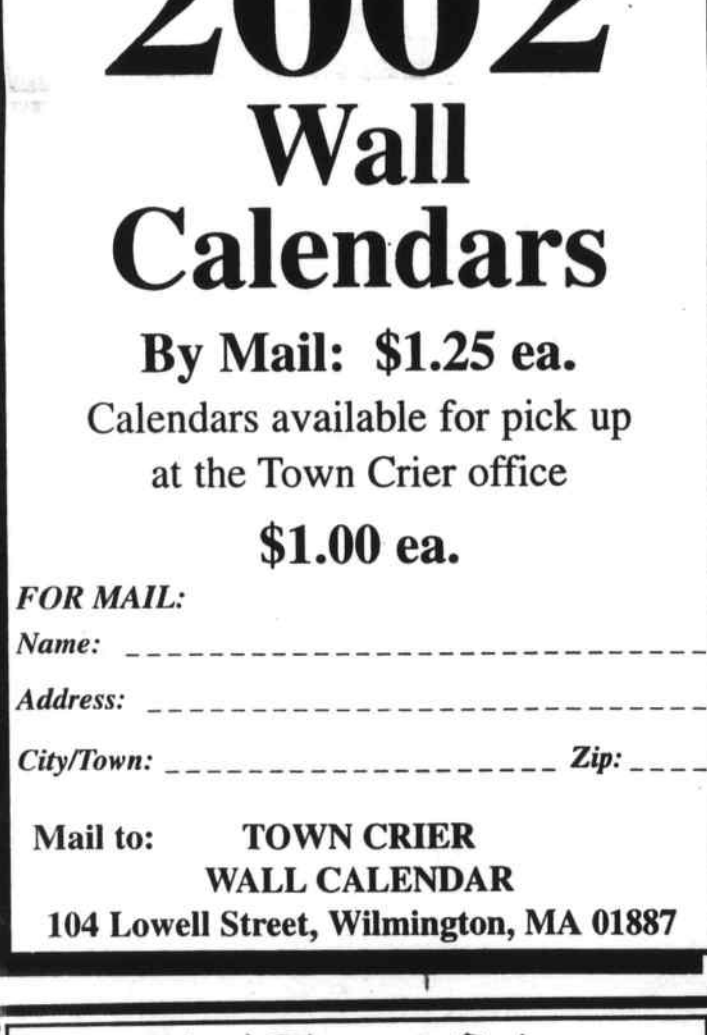
It seems as if Corey Calway (119), Steve O'Dea (152), Matt Gennetti and John Dowling (either 171 or 189 for both of them) and Luke Gennetti (275) are the front runners in their respective weight divisions. Freshman Chris Olson will try to crack the 275 lineup.

This year's schedule will see the Wildcats at home in several more meets than usual. After opening at home this Saturday, they will host the annual Sons of Italy Tournament the following Saturday. Thereafter they will host meets against Boston Latin, Pentucket and Woburn, as well as hosting the Cape Ann League Meet.



THE WILMINGTON HIGH GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM will open its season on Tuesday at home behind captains Lyndsey Borseti and Kristin Sauve. (Photo by Maureen Lamoureux).

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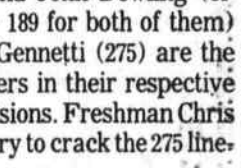
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WHS Boys' Hoop Preview

McCune's team shooting for a winning season

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Gone are the days of the Swiezynski's and the Arciero's. Now in his 13th year as head coach at Wilmington High, boys basketball coach Jim McCune will no longer have either Scott or Eric Swiezynski to lead his team in points, rebounding, and to as many victories as they could muster.

What McCune does have this season are many potentially very good players, who are quick, who can shoot and who should put up a lot of points collectively.

The Wildcats are coming off a 14-8 season which saw them lose in the second round of the state tournament to the eventual Division 3 state champs of Lynn Tech. This year's season begins Tuesday with a road contest against Amesbury at 6:30 (new starting times this year for the league; away games are at 6:30 and home games are at 7:00).

Of course in any pre-season there's plenty of questions for any team, but one question that shouldn't be asked is if this team will be competitive. Because they will be. And they certainly should continue the tradition of playing exciting, hard nosed basketball.

"I'm pretty excited," said coach McCune. "I love this team. They are great kids. You know I haven't yelled at them once."

McCune said that last comment with a laugh because even he knows that his reputation is being a yeller and a screamer. But with that, there hasn't been one kid who hasn't played hard for him, who hasn't dived on the floor for the loose balls and who haven't tried to carry on the winning tradition which this program has excelled at which begins with his coaching. Last year McCune was honored for his 200th win as a high school coach between St. Clement's High and Wilmington High.

"I come in every year hoping we can challenge for the league title," he said. "That's our intentions every year. I think if you say [a team is] rebuilding it's just an excuse for losing. Can we challenge for the league title? Certainly. Do we have questions on this team? Yes, we certainly do."

This year's team will be much different. Of the 15 guys on the team, 13 of them are guards and the other two are centers. Thirteen guards?

"We're going to be a much different team than we have been in the past," said McCune. "We're going to go with four guards and one big guy. We could go with two big guys and three guards but if we do that we don't have a big guy to come off the bench in case the other big guy gets in foul trouble."

The team has three extremely good players and another two players with very good upside, not to mention several solid players to have on any team. Valence Nwachukwu, who transferred to Wilmington last year from Nebraska, averaged 14.8 points per game as a junior. He is a very talented ball player, who is a very good ball handler and a very good shooter when he is on. Sometimes he takes too many shots, but in either case the kid can play.

"If (Valence) plays to his potential and to the fashion we believe he can play at, we envision him to be the MVP of the [Cape Ann] league," said McCune. "We'll be looking for him to score some points but we're also going to be looking for him to do some rebounding."

Besides Nwachukwu, juniors Craig Osgood and Pat Taylor are also very good players. Osgood is a very good perimeter shooter. He can bury the jumper, or the three-pointer. He's also very quick and a very unselfish player.

Taylor is the team's big guy, he stands at 6-4. He's a very good offensive player with a soft touch and can be very explosive shooting wise from the wings. His problem last year was playing defense - he struggled at times. This year he'll have more chores, including trying to be a key rebounder and he'll be the lone guy down low since the rest of the team are guards and perimeter shooters.

"We're building around what we have," said McCune. "And what we have are several outstanding shooters. We have three or four kids who can shoot the lights out. We're going to run some motion, we'll be shooting a lot from the perimeter and even get Taylor involved down low."

On top of those three guys, junior Mike Jordan is also an extremely good shooter. Jordan is probably the best pure shooter the program's had over the years. When he's hot he's unstoppable. He has to improve his defense, just like the entire team does.

"We're going to press - we're going to run after teams," said McCune. "We'll be pressing from the opening tip-off to the last buzzer. But I have some worries about defense, about our rebounding and about our toughness. We'll be able to score, but we have to do those other things to be a complete team."

The fifth starter on the team is Dave Aronofsky. He saw a solid amount of playing time last year as a guard. He's a quiet type of kid who doesn't do anything flashy but gets the job done.

"Dave's a nice compliment to Craig," said McCune of Aronofsky who is one of the three captains along with Nwachukwu and Mike Herra. "Dave is a player. He's more of a scorer than a shooter. He does a lot of good things with the basketball - he's a good ball handler."

Off the bench the team looks pretty good. Herra brings "a lot of life" to the team with his speed, agility, toughness and defense. He'll be the first guy off the bench. The second guy is sophomore Zack Mitzan, who according to the coach has so much potential.

"Zack's the other big guy," said McCune. "He's 6-5 and he has a lot of potential. I really think he can be a very good player. He's a tremendous athlete and the upside with him is really tremendous. We're really pleased with him."

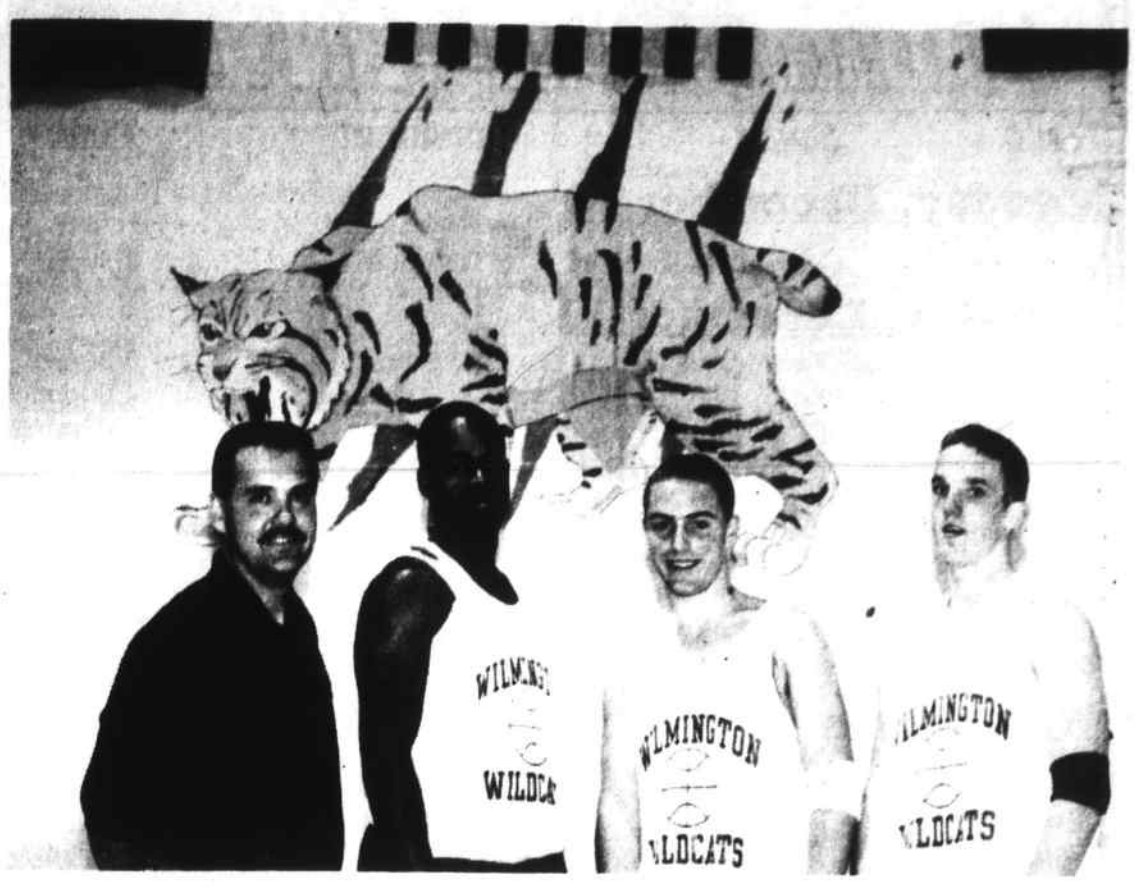
Like all young players, McCune eases the transition for them like he did with the Swiezynski brothers and like he's doing with Mitzan. No extra pressure will be put on the sophomore, but if he keeps up what he's doing now he could be a very good player and something the team needs off the bench.

Junior Ryan Tildsley is another legitimate player off the bench. He is up from the JV team last year. He was the team's leading scorer and arguably the best JV player in the league last year. He's another pure shooter.

Senior John Ferrari stands at six feet and he could also see some playing time. He seems to be much improved from a year ago and will look to add depth. Also looking to see some time off the bench will be seniors Chris Derian, Warren Cormier and Mark Krasnyansky, as well as juniors Sean Osgood and Mike Harrison and finally sophomore Mike Kelley.

McCune believes that North Andover is the pick of the league but teams like Hamilton-Wenham, Newburyport and Masconomet will certainly be tough. He stresses that defense will be the difference in wins and losses. Besides the league games the team has its annual Christmas Tournament playing Burlington in the first round and either Tewksbury/Whittier Tech in the finals/consolation game. Wilmington also has separate non-league games with Tewksbury and Whittier Tech to round out the schedule.

This Saturday the team will travel to Tewksbury to face Shawsheen Tech in the annual preseason jamboree. Tip-off is slated for 6:30.



THE WILMINGTON HIGH BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM will open its season on Tuesday. Pictured left to right are head coach Jim McCune and tri-captains Valence Nwachukwu, Dave Aronofsky and Mike Herra. (Photo by Tom Friberg).

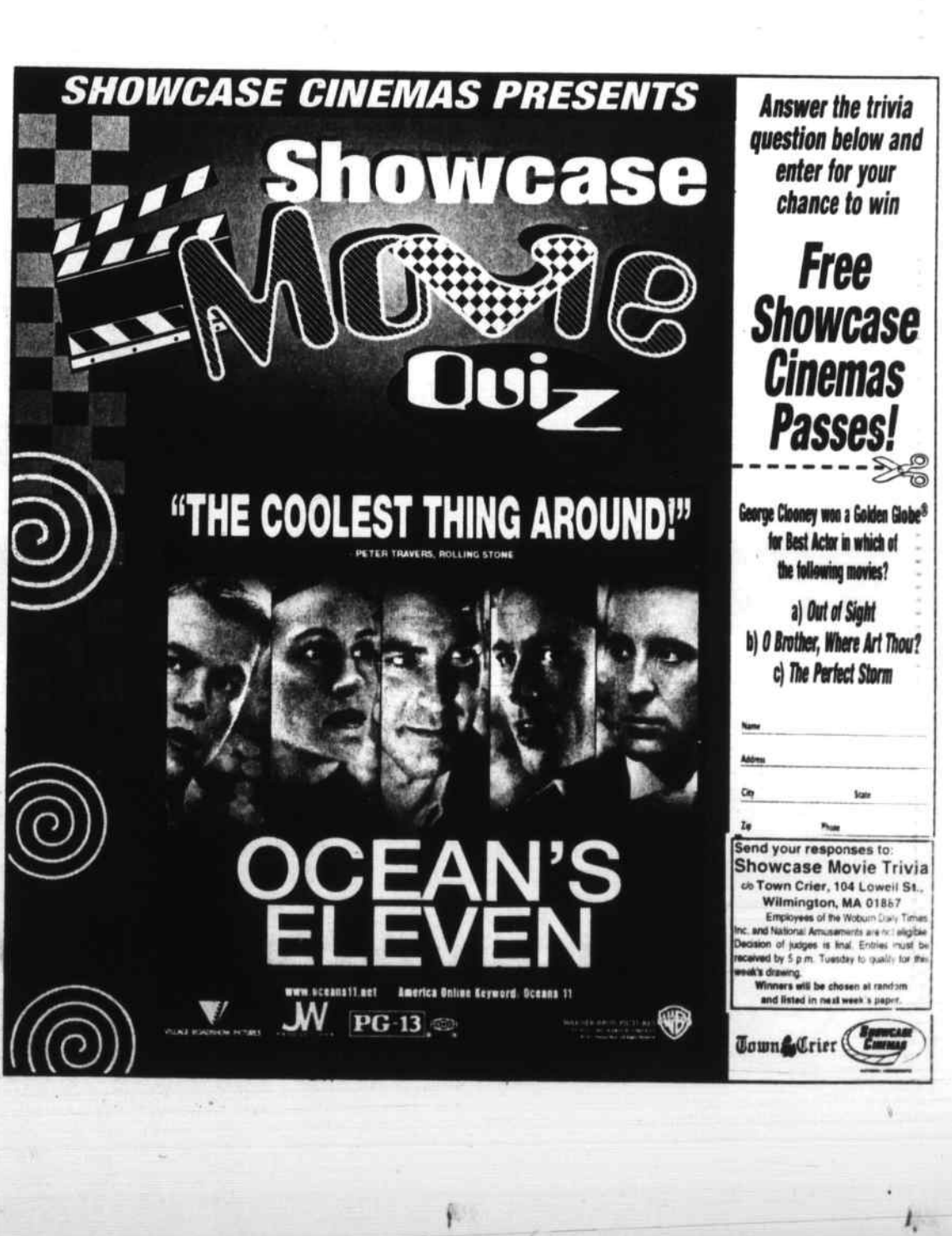


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Town	Sport	Opponent	Time
Monday, December 10			
Tewksbury	Indoor Track	@ Methuen	3:30pm
Tuesday, December 11			
Wilmington	Fr. Boys Basketball	@ Amesbury	3:30pm
Wilmington	Fr. Girls Basketball	vs Amesbury	4:00pm
Tewksbury	Fr. Boys Basketball	vs Methuen	4:00pm
Tewksbury	Fr. Girls Basketball	vs Methuen	4:45pm
Shawsheen	V Boys Basketball	vs Lynn Tech	4:45pm
Shawsheen	V Girls Basketball	@ Lynn Tech	4:45pm
Wilmington	JV/V Boys Basketball	@ Amesbury	5:00/6:30pm
Wilmington	JV/V Girls Basketball	vs Amesbury	5:30/7:00pm
Tewksbury	JV/V Boys Basketball	@ Methuen	6:00/7:30pm
Tewksbury	JV/V Girls Basketball	vs Methuen	6:00/7:30pm
Wednesday, December 12			
Shawsheen	Swimming	vs Minuteman	3:30pm
Wilmington	Indoor Track	vs Ipswich	3:30pm
Tewksbury	Wrestling	vs North Andover	6:30pm
Wilmington	Wrestling	@ Hamilton Wenham	6:30pm
Shawsheen	JV/V Wrestling	@ Chelmsford	7:00pm
Wilmington	JV/V Boys Hockey	vs Triton	7:30pm
Wilmington	V Girls Hockey	@ Burlington	8:00pm
Thursday, December 13			
Shawsheen	Ice Hockey	vs Bishop Fenwick	7:00pm
Friday, December 14			
Shawsheen	Swimming	@ Tyngsboro	3:30pm
Wilmington	Fr. Girls Basketball	@ Newburyport	3:30pm
Wilmington	Fr. Boys Basketball	vs Newburyport	4:00pm
Shawsheen	V Girls Basketball	vs P.M.A.	4:45pm
Wilmington	JV/V Girls Basketball	@ Newburyport	5:00/6:30pm
Wilmington	JV/V Boys Basketball	vs Newburyport	5:30/7:00pm
Tewksbury	JV/V Girls Basketball	vs Notre Dame	6:00/7:30pm
Saturday, December 15			
Wilmington	Indoor Track	vs Amesbury	9:00am
Tewksbury	Boys Indoor Track	Brandeis Classic	10:00am
Shawsheen	JV/V Wrestling	@ Wilmington	10:00am
Tewksbury	Wrestling	@ Wilmington	10:00am
Wilmington	Wrestling	Sons of Italy	10:00am
Wilmington	JV/V Boys Hockey	@ Amesbury	12:00pm
Wilmington	V Girls Hockey	vs Westwood	1:20pm
Tewksbury	V Ice Hockey	@ Higham	TBA

Compiled by Kristin Purser

Austin Prep Sports Round-up

By TIM LANE

The Austin Prep Cougars shutdown the Savio Prep offense and dominated their defense in a 30-12 Thanksgiving Day victory in East Boston. The win closed out a 9-2 season, with Austin taking second place in the Catholic Central League's Large School Division.

The Cougars achieved 404 yards rushing on 55 carries (an average of 7.3 yards per carry). Senior running backs Ben Coppola (Groveland) and Anthony Castellano (Georgetown) were responsible for 280 of those yards of offense. Castellano ran for three touchdowns, with a total of 102 yards on 14 carries. Coppola scored a single touchdown and ran for 178 yards on 18 carries. His TD came on a 64 yard run on the first play of the second half.

Other leading offensive players for Austin were junior quarterback Frank Powers (No. Reading), with 67 yards on 10 carries, and sophomore Mike DeBye (Burlington), with 51 yards on 10 carries. The Cougars' defense held Savio to a total of 194 yards offense, including 161 yards rushing. Among several outstanding defensive players was junior Scott O'Neill (Tewksbury).

Castellano finishes his tenure at Austin with the second best record in school history for both single season and career rushing. He ran for 1,249 yards this season, with an average of 6.4 per carry. His career total was 2,164, a mere 85 yards short of the record.

Mite D's take two more

The Wilmington Mite "D" Wildcats won two big games this past weekend against a strong Beverly "B" squad and equally strong Tewksbury "B" squad.

On Saturday against Beverly, Tyler "Stonewall" Stillings was huge in goal for the Cats as he turned away all but two shots as the Cats prevailed 6-2. Tyler was repeatedly called upon to make not only the routine save but the spectacular save and he did not disappoint.

The offense was provided by Nick Pino with two big goals, Frankie Cerbone, Danny Dighton, Jackie Mulrenan and Tommy Shafer. Ian Haggerty and JT Lynch each had two assists. The defense was led by Ian Haggerty, Steven Taylor, Meaghan Souza, Jimmy O'Neill and Tommy See who all played a strong game against a tough opponent.

Jon-Luke Dee, Daniel Keene and Nick Luise all provided needed grunt work in the corners that sometimes goes unnoticed but made a big difference in the outcome of the game. Overall the boys and girls played an outstanding game and beat a previously undefeated team.

Sunday's game was played against Tewksbury at Hockeytown in Saugus and was a nail biter as Wilmington won 3-0. The Cats came out flying but everything they could put on goal was turned away by the outstanding Tewksbury goalie. The young lady did all she could to keep Tewksbury in the game.

Mid-way through the second period, Tommy Shafer broke the deadlock for and put the Cats ahead with the only goal they would need. Jackie Mulrenan scored twice in the third on a nice rush and an empty netter with less than a minute to play. Jackie also had an assist on Tommy's goal and ended up with three points. Nick Pino had the only other assist for the Cats.

Defensively Tommy See made many big saves in net for Wilmington. Jimmy O'Neill, Meaghan Souza, Steven Taylor and Ian Haggerty kept the pressure off of Tommy. JT Lynch, Frankie Cerbone, Nick Luise, Jon-Luke Dee, Daniel Dighton and Daniel Keane all played tremendously and pressed the attack the entire game. Had it not been for the outstanding Tewksbury goalie this could have been a runaway for Wilmington.

MVC Football All-Stars

Most Valuable Player
Jeff Ross - 6', 185 lbs, TB/CB - Lowell
Most Valuable Player - Offense
Chris Callison - 5'11", 177 lbs. RB - Andover
Jeff Smart - 6'2" 180 lbs. WR - Chelmsford
Most Valuable Player - Defense
Jeff Molesso - 5'11", 182 lbs - Haverhill

First Team Offense

TE	Jesse Erthartic	Sr.	6'6"	240 lbs	Chelmsford
WR	Jason Crabb	Sr.	6'	180 lbs	Andover
WR	Matt McGinnis	Sr.	6'	155 lbs	Tewksbury
T	Justin Robinson	Sr.	6'	285 lbs	Lowell
T	Sean Hutchinson	Sr.	6'4"	270 lbs	Billerica
G	Bill Florence	Sr.	6'	215 lbs	Lowell
G	Jeff Douglas	Sr.	6'2"	235 lbs	Chelmsford
C	Frank McKernan	Sr.	6'	215 lbs	C.Catholic
QB	Mark Brown	Sr.	6'	175 lbs	Chelmsford
RB	Matt Maroon	Jr.	6'	200 lbs	C. Catholic
RB	Bruce Brown	Sr.	6'	176 lbs	Andover
RB	Steve Kasprzak	Jr.	5'10"	175 lbs	Tewksbury
FB	Sean Smith	Sr.	5'11"	212 lbs	Andover
Most Versatile					
Dan MacKay		Sr.	6'3"	180 lbs	Billerica
Return Specialist					
David Leach		Soph	5'7"	160 lbs	Chelmsford
Kicker					
Julio Faria		Soph	5'8"	155 lbs	Lowell

2nd Team - Offense

TE	Tony Curet	Sr.	Methuen
WR	Sean Glavin	Sr.	Billerica
WR	Andy Zografos	Sr.	Dracut
WR	Nathan Jeanes	Sr.	
T	C. Koustenis	Sr.	Tewksbury
T	Brian Browbridge	Sr.	Central Catholic
T	Jimbo Welsh	Sr.	Chelmsford
G	Todd Beaudoin	Sr.	Central Catholic
G	Brian Kelly	Sr.	Haverhill
G	Wilmer Colon	Jr.	Lowell
C	Alex Gostanian	Sr.	Andover
QB	Kevin Graham	Jr.	Billerica
RB	Joe Fendone	Soph	Central Catholic
RB	R.J. Jones	Jr.	Billerica
RB	Pat Gobbi	Sr.	Haverhill
RB	Billy Furey	Jr.	Chelmsford
FB	Tim Wellman	Sr.	Chelmsford
FB	Bob Theriault	Sr.	Lowell
Most Versatile			
Arnie Martel	Sr.	Tewksbury	
Most Versatile			
Ted Dillon	Sr.	Dracut	
Kicker			
Dan Vitale	Sr.	Central Catholic	
Return Specialist			
Kien Luong	Sr.	Methuen	

1st Team Defense

DL	P. Romanowsky	Sr.	6'3"	200 lbs	Lowell
DL	Ryan Danehy	Sr.	6'2"	230 lbs	Billerica
DL	Chris Sendelbach	Sr.	6'4"	250 lbs	Chelmsford
DL	Rob Descheneau	Sr.	6'	202 lbs	Haverhill
DL	Fola Alyeku	Jr.	6'	195 lbs	Methuen
LB	Pat Sheehan	Jr.	5'9"	180 lbs	Lowell
LB	Bill Murray	Sr.	5'6"	160	C.Catholic
LB	A.Palmacci	Sr.	5'10"	150 lbs	Haverhill
LB	Jon Dolan	Sr.	6'	180 lbs	Lowell
DB	Scott Campbell	Sr.	6'	165 lbs	C.Catholic
DB	Jeff Farelli	Sr.	6'	190 lbs	Methuen
DB	Bryan Meuse	Sr.	6'2"	200 lbs	Billerica
DB	Bill Mottram	Sr.	6'	170 lbs	Haverhill
Most Versatile					
Bob Ullo		Sr.	5'10"	190 lbs	Tewksbury
Punter					
Derrick Marsan		Jr.	5'9"	185 lbs	Methuen

2nd team - Defense

DL	James McCarthy	Sr.	Tewksbury
DL	Ken Meharg	Sr.	Tewksbury
DL	Mike Burkardt	Sr.	Central Catholic
DL	Mike Ames	Sr.	Billerica
DL	Emilio Williams	Jr.	Haverhill
DL	James Kelleher	Sr.	Lowell
LB	Chris Barry	Sr.	Andover
LB	Steve Capozzi	Jr.	Billerica
LB	Tom Conlon	Sr.	Methuen
LB	Adam Scott	Sr.	Haverhill
DB	Bruce Rich	Soph	Chelmsford
DB	Peter Hajjar	Jr.	Methuen
DB	James McNeil	Jr.	Lowell
DB	Brad Jolie	Sr.	Central Catholic
DB	Greg Gervais	Sr.	Chelmsford

Most Versatile
Keith Yianacopoulos Jr.
Billerica
Punter
Bobby Weinburg Sr.
Andover
Honorable Mention
Andover
Brian Durie, G/DE
Marc Barnaby,T/DT
Brendan Smith, QB
Jordan Thibault, NG
Jason White, DE
Phil Perkins, T
Billerica
Joe Venezia, C
Chris Whiteman, T
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Paul McNeil, SS
Ken Welch, LB
Methuen
Andy Duong, G/T
Greg Lombari, T
Nick Reusch, QB
Bill Hutton, C
Tewksbury
Derek Bent, OT
Bill Meuse, WR
Mike Rocco, QB
Ryan Byrne, LB
Kyle Hamilton, DB
Bill Fabiano, LB

Wildcats honored

Four members of the Wilmington High football team were honored for their efforts for this past season.

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Senior running back George Godding and Dave DeMango were named to the honorable mention.

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Squirt C's show off tough defense against Revere

The following is the summary of games played by the Wilmington Squirt C's.

Wilmington 3, Revere 0

The Squirt C's showed that hustle and skating skills can win games even when running up against a hot goalie. In a Dual State match-up last Thursday at Hockeytown, Wilmington out skated Revere to a 3-0 win.

Wilmington consistently beat Revere to the puck at both ends of the ice. They fore-checked relentlessly to create scoring chances. Goaltenders DiMare of Revere and Wilmington's Steve Cadigan kept the game scoreless until the 9:30 mark of the second period. Center Pat Enwright's shot ended up behind the net. Winger Sean Keane scooped it up and found his wingmate Eric Parsons in perfect position out front. Parsons blasted the puck past DiMare for the first tally of the game.

The 1-0 score stood through the second period as DiMare continued to hold the fort against the Wilmington pressure. Midway through the period the line of Paul Duffy, Brendan Collins and Charles Barbaro peppered the Revere goaltender with shots. Revere was unable to clear the puck for a sustained period of time as defensemen Ryan Kennedy and Cody Wilkins blocked clearing passes at the blue line and fired the puck right back in. Eventually, the line of Patrick Boudreau, Chris Robertson and Matt Larffarello came over the boards and the control in the offensive zone continued. Charlie Gendron came out to man the point and kept Revere from breaking out.

Wilmington dominated the third period also but the few times Revere got on the offensive they were broken up on two plays by Wilkins on defense and stopped by Cadigan in net. At 2:32 of the period Wilmington got their second goal as Boudreau, Robertson and Larffarello fired shot after shot at DiMare. Finally Larffarello's shot broke through and Wilmington was up 2-0.

With time running out, Revere tried to mount an attack but Wilmington wouldn't allow it. Fore-checking by Boudreau, work along the boards by Duffy and back-checking Robertson, coming back to break up a rush all contributed to Wilmington's success.

After a Cadigan save, defensemen Gendron and Kennedy worked together to get the puck up the boards. Parsons, on his wing, took control and flew down the ice. He fired a low, hard shot past DiMare with 31 seconds left in the game. It was Parsons' second goal of the night and capped off a 3-0 win for Wilmington.

Wilmington 7, Billerica 2

Early Sunday morning Wilmington met Billerica in Valley League competition. Billerica came into the game with impressive offensive and defensive stats. They hoped to continue that trend by striking early against Wilmington. One minute into the game a Billerica rebound shot broke through to put them up 1-0. A tap-in of a shot from the left side at 3:51 gave them a two goal lead and Billerica may have believed they were on their way to another rout.

Wilmington is not like other teams Billerica has faced, however. Records, stats, size or the experience of their opponent doesn't stop them from skating, skating and more skating. With 46 seconds left in the period defenseman Charlie Gendron broke up a Billerica play and got the puck up to Brendan Collins. Collins raced down ice, with a speedy Billerica skater harassing him all the way, and fired the puck into the far side of the net.

That goal lit the spark as Wilmington came back and played a strong two way game in the second period. At the 10 minute mark, center Pat Enwright streaked down ice and beat the Billerica goalie to tie the game. The action was up and down and the back checking of Pat Boudreau, Paul Duffy and Eric Parsons was a highlight. One Billerica player broke through on a rush but Gendron turned on the jets, chased him down and reached across to strip him of the puck. Goaltender Steve Cadigan made several alert stick saves to keep the game even.

Scoring two goals to tie up the game wasn't enough to satisfy Wilmington. In the third period they poured it on, scoring five unanswered goals and shocked the Billerica squad and their fans who were not used to being on that end of the action. Early in the period, defenseman Cody Wilkins kept the puck in at the point and moved it up the boards to Charles Barbaro. Barbaro fed Collins in the middle. A swift stick move and Collins got past the defenseman to shoot and score his second goal. At 7:49 Wilkins took the puck behind his own net and dodged and weaved his way down ice. Getting in close, his quick back hand put Wilmington up 4-2.

A minute later Cadigan made a stop and Wilkins and Ryan Kennedy got the puck up to Duffy. Duffy went down ice, shot and scored for a three goal lead. On the ensuing faceoff, Billerica broke in and Cadigan made a great stop on a hard shot. At 4:16 Enwright skated in, shot and jammed in his own rebound for his second goal. With 34 seconds left in the game, Chris Robertson fired a long shot to cap off the comeback at 7-2.

Beating a team such as Billerica was made possible by the 'never quit' attitude of the Wildcats. The hustle and good corner work of Parsons, Robertson, Sean Keane and Matt Larffarello created offensive chances. The defense of Wilkins, Kennedy and Gendron was once again superb against a potent offense. The defense combined with the skating, back checking, and reliable goaltending all added up to victory.

The Squirt C's travel to the new Valley Forum II in Malden next Sunday to take on S & S in Valley League play.

Squirt D's fall victim for the first time

It was bound to happen sooner or later. After all, no one wins every game, but it took a very scrappy MRYHA hockey team and an unending rash of penalties last Friday at Skate 3 to deal the Wilmington Squirt D team its first loss of the season by the score of 5-1.

After winning their first 17 games of the season, the Squirt D's struggled to stay in this one, and actually did a great job for two plus periods before fatigue did them in. In all, the D's were assessed 10 penalties during the game, which kept them back on their heels for a good portion and halted any offensive momentum after the first period.

Wilmington began the game at a disadvantage when nightmarish traffic on Route 3 forced them to start shorthanded, but their aggressiveness coming out of the gate nonetheless quickly gave them a 1-0 lead. During the first minute of play, Center Jon See took a John Moriarty feed up ice to challenge MRYHA goalie Zack Fritz. Fritz left the far corner wide open for See and See astutely hit the opening with a hot shot from the right side.

During the first, defenseman Brian Fitzpatrick, Sean Tavares, Alex Williams and Kyle Gaffey, along with forwards Andrew Flodin, Bret Kidik, Jon See and Tom Callahan, did a spectacular job blocking several shots in front of the net to stymie MRYHA's scoring bids and help Wilmington hang on to its fragile lead. Forwards Dominic McCann and Callahan also came through by helping to kill two of three penalties called against the D's.

But three's the charm, and the third penalty of the period became Wilmington's undoing. With just 59 seconds left, Wildcat netminder Brian Coutu stick saved a shot, but the rebound deflected high in the air and was knocked in to tie the game at one.

During the scoreless second period, the Cats continued their effective defensive play, killing three more penalties and holding down MRYHA. On offense, winger Sammy Grant covered his corner with intensity and dug the puck out to create some scoring opportunities, while Kevin Moriarty, filling in for a short roster, more than held his own on wing. Brian Coutu also helped keep the D's in the game with some sharp goaltending, rejecting 10 of 11 attempts during the first two frames.

It wasn't until the third period that the official unraveling began for Wilmington. The D's accumulated four more penalties and, noticeably worn down from killing penalties in the first two periods, coughed up four power play goals. MRYHA, on the other hand, continued its effective second period strategy of placing its bigger players in front of the net to block out Wilmington's forwards and block shots. By the end of the third, Wilmington was having trouble clearing the puck from its own zone.

During the period, MRYHA scored its second goal of the game on a breakaway, and its third on a deceptively slow shot from the slot that slipped under the coverage. The fourth came when Coutu saved a shot, but the rebound was not cleared before MRYHA's Shawn Fredette jammed it home. The last came on hard, screened shot from the blue line that blew through the defense. In all, Coutu had 16 saves, and Wilmington's lines had countless blocked shots to keep the Wildcats in the contest.

Squirt E's improve to 3-1-1

The Wilmington Squirt E's sponsored by Darmody, Merlino & Co., played two games this past weekend. They won the first game against Methuen and lost the second game to Agawam. Coach Andy Good and Assistant Coaches Ed Sheridan, Chris Marten and Ed Colosimo mixed-up the lines and were proud of their teams play.

Wilmington 7, Methuen 2

On Saturday, December 1, 2001, the Squirt E's took on Methuen winning 7-2.

Goalie Eddie Sheridan was holding onto another shut-out until Methuen put the puck in the next with 1:34 left in the second period. Sheridan stopped12 shots on net while Wilmington put 11 shots on net.

Tim Martin got his second hat-trick of the young season by scoring his first unassisted goal at 9:56 in the first period. Wilmington's second goal was scored by Tim Patrie at 7:26 assisted by defensiveman Layton and Moran.

The third goal of the first period came from Justin Riveria at 1:59 assisted by Tim Martin and Ryan Brothers. At 11:40 in the second period Martin scored his second goal assisted by Riveria and Brothers making the score 4-0.

While Wilmington had a power play advantage Chris Colosimo scored from the point at 9:25 with only 0.03 seconds left in the power play. Methuen broke Sheridan's shut-out at 1:34 with a goal that Sheridan stopped twice—but the rebound was finally put in.

Going into the third period 5-1, Wilmington's Ryan Brothers scored at 11:00 assisted by Riveria and Layton. Martin's hat-trick third goal came at 7:41 assisted by Brothers and Layton making the score 7-1.

Methuen put one in the next at 5:25 to end the game 7-2. Playing offense and defense were Scott Layton, Chris Colosimo, Tim Martin and Justin Rivera. Defensively Dean Moran and Melissa Good put forth a great effort. Offensively, Ryan Derian, Steve Piscatelli, Cory Lee and Matt Kasparian helped keep the pressure on Methuen.

Wilmington 2, Agawam 3

On Sunday, December 2, 2001 the Squirt E's lost a tough game to Agawam. The only goal in the first period was by Wilmington with Ryan Derian taking the puck from his own zone and scoring at 9:36. He was assisted by defensivemen Dean Moran and Scott Layton.

The score was 1-0 going into the second period when Wilmington made it 2-0 with a goal from the corner by Justin Riveria at 10:29 assisted by Cory Lee.

Agawam came back with a goal at 9:57 making it 2-1. Wilmington was holding onto the lead going into the third period when Agawam scored two unanswered goals at 6:46 and 5:10 making the final score 3-2 Agawam.

The game was intense and the Coaches knew that their team fought hard. Playing net was Eddie Sheridan stopping 9 shots on net.

Defensive was played by Layton, Chris Colosimo, Dean Moran, Justin Riveria and Melissa Good. Offensive was played by Joe Favuzza, Tim Martin, Ryan Derian, Ryan Brothers, Tim Patrie, Cory Lee, Matt Kasparian.

Pee Wee E's soar against the Falcons

The PeeWee E's played Danvers in a 7:10 p.m. contest in Malden Thursday. Wilmington, having lost a couple of tough games earlier in the week, came ready to play. The Wildcats came out skating hard and took a quick one goal advantage in the first when Jared Waite skated hard and put a shot on net, the goalie got a pad on it but Ryan Loring was there for the rebound and the tuck-in.

Malden managed to tie the game with a late goal and the first period ended 1-1.

The second period was a defensive show, great goaltending by Richie Murray and great defense by Paul Martel, Danny Spurr, Pat Schultz and Chris Welch held Malden scoreless in the second. Wilmington capitalized on Malden's inability to score and grabbed a 2-1 lead.

David Sweet made a great move to get open in the zone and fed Keith Little a beauty pass. Keith blasted it past the goalie to put Wilmington ahead to stay. Defense again stepped up in the third and did not allow a goal and the offense came up big with four goals. The first came with 11:36 to play when Pat Cassidy made a nice pass to Loring and Loring put a backhand by the goalie. The second of the period came with 9:56 to play. Matt Bibeau, who was all over the ice, made a nice poke steal and made a smooth cross ice pass to a cutting Sweet.

David put the puck top shelf and Wilmington was on the way to a victory. The scoring did not end there, with 2:59 left to play, Cassidy, playing heads up hockey, took advantage of a Malden miscue in front of the net and caught the back of the net with a wrist shot. The frosting on the cake came when Sweet returned the favor to Bibeau and made a nice pass to the far side of the net and Matt put it away to seal the game.

Wilmington played hard on both ends of the ice and came out with a well deserved victory. The PeeWee E team would like to send a special thank you to this year's sponsor, the Wilmington Firefighters Local 1370. Without your support, none of this would have been possible. Thank you.

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"...the following described property located in Middlesex County, Massachusetts:

See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Exhibit "A"

The land with the buildings thereon in said Wilmington bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHERLY by the Northerly line of Massachusetts Avenue, one hundred (100) feet;

WESTERLY by land now or formerly of Dorothy M. Farrell, one hundred eighteen (118) feet;

NORTHEASTERLY by land now or formerly of Manuel J. Barry, et ux, eighty nine and 57/100 (89.57) feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY thirteen and 18/100 (13.18) feet, and

NORTHEASTERLY twenty one and 92/100 (21.92) feet, by land now or formerly of Carla Parker; and

SOUTHEASTERLY by land now or formerly of Thomas McNeil, seventy five (75) feet.

All of said boundaries are determined by the Land Court to be located as shown on plan 36036-A, drawn by Fred W. Gould, Surveyor, dated December 10, 1968, as modified and approved by the Court, filed in the Land Registration Office, a copy of a portion of which is filed with Certificate of Title No. 17104.

For title see Certificate of Title No. 30213.

Which has the address of 10 Mass Avenue, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887 ("Property Address");

Together with all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property, and all easements, appurtenances, and fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this Security Instrument. All of the foregoing is referred to in this Security Instrument as the "Property"..."

Said premises will be sold subject to and/or with the benefit of any and all restrictions, easements, improvements, covenants, outstanding tax title, municipal or other public taxes, assessments, liens or claims in the nature of liens, and existing encumbrances of record created prior to the mortgage, if any there be.

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, ss 01E0173PP

To Kathy H. Cho of Tewksbury, in the County of Middlesex and North American Mortgage Co. of Albion, in the State of New York and to all other persons interested.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Hamid Zohire of Tewksbury in the County of Middlesex representing that he hold as joint tenant in common one undivided half part or share of certain land lying in Tewksbury in said County of Middlesex and briefly described as follows:

Property Address: 216 Maple Street, Tewksbury, Massachusetts 01876

A certain parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, situated on the Northerly side of Maple Street in said Tewksbury, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a stake on Maple Street at the Northwest corner of the granted premises and at land of one Ernest Treadwell, thence running North 48 degrees 14' 10" East one hundred eighty (180) feet to a stake on the Westerly side of Whittemore Street, thence South 24 degrees 16' 40" West along said Whittemore Street one hundred (100) feet to a stake, thence South 62 degrees 26' 20" West through the land of the grantors a distance of three hundred eighty-three and 92/100 (383.92) feet to a stake, thence still South 47 degrees 14' 10" West one hundred eighty (180) feet to a stake on said Maple Street, thence Northwesterly on said Maple Street one hundred (100) feet to the point of beginning.

Being shown on a certain parcel entitled, "Plan of Land Belonging to J. J. and Margaret Gray, Maple Street, East Tewksbury, Mass., McCracken Brothers, C.E." which plan is recorded in Book of Plans 62, Plan 50B and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds and being shown as Lot 1 containing j1.22 acres on a certain plan entitled, "Subdivision Plan of Land in Tewksbury, Mass." Surveyed for Ruth L. Maestri and Emmy E. LaPlaca, Scale 1"=40"., June 14, 1954, Dana F. Perkins and Sons, C.E. which plan is recorded in Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book of Plan 84, Page 73.

setting forth that he desires that - all - the following described part - of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than $300,000.00 dollars, and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided either at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the Twentieth day of December 2001, the return day of this citation.

Witness, Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of November 2001.

John R. Buonomo
Register

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX, SS DIVISION DOCKET NO. 01P2935GI GUARDIANSHIP-MENTALLY ILL WITHOUT SURETIES NOTICE

To **Arthur Flagg of Tewksbury** in said county and his heirs apparent or presumptive: A Petition has been filed in the above-captioned matter alleging that said **Arthur Flagg** is a mentally ill person praying that **Sharon Warren of Haverhill in the County of Essex and Madonna Tilbe of Kingston in the State of New Hampshire** - or some suitable person - be appointed guardian of the **person only** - with court authorization to treat with antipsychotic medication (s) in accordance with the treatment plan.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Cambridge, on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 a.m.) on **December 20, 2001.**

WITNESS, SHEILA E. McGOVERN, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge Massachusetts, the **ninth** day of **November** in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and one.

John R. Buonomo,
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT

(SEAL) Case No. 268835

To Joanna Clayton a/k/a Joanna E. Clayton and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended: **BANK ONE, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, f/k/a The First National Bank of Chicago, as Trustee** claiming to be the holder of mortgage covering real property in **Wilmington**, 1 Summer Street given by Joanna Clayton to Accubane Mortgage Corporation dated January 22, 1998 and recorded with the Middlesex (North) County Registry of Deeds in Book 9022, Page 075, now held by Plaintiff by assignment has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 31st day of December 2001 or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, PETER W. KILBORN, Chief Justice of said Court this 21st day of November 2001.

Charles W. Trombly, Jr.
Recorder

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX, SS DIVISION 01P5349 AD ADMINISTRATION WITH SURETIES NOTICE

Estate of Evelyn Blanche Lloyd
Late of Wilmington
In the County of Middlesex

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that **Walter G. Lloyd of Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex,** or some other suitable person be appointed administrator of the estate of said deceased.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Cambridge, on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on **December 19, 2001.**

Witness, Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, the **second** day of **November**, in the year of our Lord **two thousand and one.**

John R. Buonomo
Register of Probate Court

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX, SS DIVISION DOCKET NO. 01P4397GR GUARDIANSHIP-MENTALLY RETARDED WITHOUT SURETIES NOTICE

To **Linda Timmons of Tewksbury** in said county and her heirs apparent or presumptive: A Petition has been filed in the above-captioned matter alleging that said **Linda Timmons** is a mentally retarded person to the degree that she is incapable of making informed decisions with respect to the conduct of her personal and financial affairs and praying that **Marilyn Timmons and Tracy Timmons of Lawrence in the County of Essex** - or some other suitable person - be appointed her guardian with the authority to consent to or withhold consent to medical treatment - with court authorization to treat with antipsychotic medication (s).

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Cambridge, on or before **ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 a.m.) on December 14, 2001.**

WITNESS, SHEILA E. McGOVERN, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge Massachusetts, the **thirteenth** day of **November** in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and one.

John R. Buonomo,
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX, SS DIVISION 01P5706AD ADMINISTRATION WITHOUT SURETIES NOTICE

Estate of Robert B. Keenan, also known as Robert Keenan Late of Tewksbury in the County of Middlesex.

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that **Thomas E. Keenan of Saugus, in the County of Essex** be appointed administrator of said estate without giving surety on his bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Cambridge, on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on **December 31, 2001.**

Witness, Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, **twenty-eighth** day of **November**, in the year of our Lord **two thousand and one.**

John R. Buonomo
Register of Probate Court

D5;2460

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS The Trial Court Probate and Family Trial Court Department Middlesex Docket No. 01P5510GM Notice of Guardianship-Minor-Without Sureties Notice

To all Persons Interested in **Nicholas K. Hunt of Wilmington** in the County of **Middlesex:**

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying **Robin M. Frost of Wilmington** in the county of Middlesex be appointed Guardian of Said minor, with custody, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at **Cambridge on or before 10:00 AM. Feb. 05, 2002. Witness, Sheila E. McGovern,** Esquire, First Justice of said Court, At Cambridge **this nineteenth day of November in the year of our Lord** two thousand and one.

John R. Buonomo
Register of Probate

D5;2454

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

BOARD OF APPEALS
999 Whipple Road
Tewksbury, MA 01876

Public hearing will be held at the Tewksbury Town Hall on December 27, 2001 beginning at 7:40 p.m. on the following application:

LEGAL NOTICE

7:40 P.M. George Brothers for a variance from the requirements of Section 5.3.1 and 5.3.2 of the ZBL. Also, as a party aggrieved, for review of a decision made by the Building Inspector and/or other authorities (Building Inspector) for the construction of a new residential dwelling. Premises located at Montvale Road, Assessor's Map 106, Lot 5B, zoned Residential.

7:50 P.M. George Brothers for a variance from the requirements of Section 5 Paragraph 3.3 of the ZBL. Also, as a party aggrieved for review of a decision made by the Building Inspector and/or other authorities for construction of a new residential home. Premises located at 29 Franklin Street, Assessor's Map 94, Lot 245, zoned Residential.

8:00 P.M. 495 Network Center L.L.C. c/o Berkley Investments, Inc. for a variance from the requirements of Section 5.3 Paragraph (f), Section 6.7 Paragraphs 6.7.2 and Section 6.7 Paragraph 6.7.2.1 to subdivide existing property into five (5) lots to create an office park. Premises located at 836 and 846 North Street, Assessor's Map 50 and 51, Lot 1 and 54, zoned Heavy Industrial.

8:10 P.M. R.M.D. Incorporated, owner of record, DSM Realty, Inc. for a variance from the requirements of Section 5.3 Paragraph (F) and Section 6 Paragraph 6.7.2.1 of the ZBL. Also for a special permit under Section 4.6.G Paragraph 16 of the ZBL to construct a 275,000 SF addition to the existing office/warehouse facility, the addition consisting of 243,000 SF of warehouse, 23,000 SF of support Facilities and 9,000 SF of office, as well as, associated employee parking spaces, truck and trailer parking spaces and loading docks, all as more fully described herein and on the attacked plans. Premises located at 875 East Street, Assessor's Map 101 and 102, Lot 125 and 23, zoned Heavy Industrial and Residential.

Tewksbury
Board of Appeals

D5,12; 2464

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Christopher J. Solano and Cherilyn Day to Pacific Guarantee Mortgage Corporation D/B/A Summit Funding Company, dated December 4, 1998 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 9774, Page 95, of which mortgage Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation is the present holder by assignment, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 p.m. on December 13, 2001, on the mortgaged premises located at 6 Heritage Drive, Unit 6, Roper Estates Condominium, Tewksbury, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

Unit No. 6 of the Roper Estates Condominium created by Master Deed dated July 15, 1985 and recorded with the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Book 3110, Page 55.

The unit is shown on a plan recorded with the first deed of this unit, to which is affixed a verified statement in the form provided by G.L. c. 183A, s 9, and is conveyed subject to and with the benefit of the obligations, restrictions, rights and liabilities contained in G.L. c. 183A, the Master Deed, the documents establishing the organization of unit owners and the By-Laws, as amended of record.

The unit is intended for residential purposes and such other uses as are set forth in the Master Deed.

The undivided percentage interest of the unit in the common areas and facilities is 2.25 %.

For mortgagors' title see deed recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 9774, Page 94.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION

Present holder of said mortgage
By its Attorneys
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
Neil W. Heiger, Esquire
150 California Street
Newton, MA 02458
(617) 558-0500

N21,28,D5;2426

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on December 17, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 91-2001

Action Ambulance Service Inc. to acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §3.4.8 to install a permanent two-way radio antennas and related facilities to be mounted on an antenna tower 70 feet in height for property located on 844 Woburn Street. Map 46 Parcel 1.

Case 92-2001

Action Ambulance Service Inc. to acquire a variance from §5.2.8 for a two-way radio tower 70 feet high for property located on 844 Woburn Street. Map 46 Parcel 1.

Case 93-2001

Ronald V. Grasso to acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.2.1 to alter a nonconforming structure (lot size) for property located on 15 Royal Street. Map 084 Parcel 12.

Case 94-2001

Quality Additions to acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.2.1 to alter a nonconforming structure (lot size, width, depth and front yard setback) for property located on 193 Wildwood Street.

Wilmington
Board of Appeals

N28,D5;2447

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on December 18, 2001 at 8:15 p.m. at Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA on Site Plan Review #01-19 dated November 5, 2001, submitted on November 16, 2001 by Brad Latham for WP Commerical, LLC & WXV One Fordham Road, LLC, 643 Main Street, Reading, MA 01867. Said property is located at One Fordham Road and shown on Assessor's Map 91 Parcel 131. This application is for the proposed reconfiguration of an existing parking lot. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Kevin Brander, Chair
Wilmington
Planning Board

N28,D5;2439

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

Department of Community Development
999 Whipple Road
Tewksbury, MA 01876
PUBLIC HEARING

DEFINITIVE SUBDIVISION

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **December 17, 2001 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **Murray Brothers, Inc.** Said property is located on **Fiske Street, Assessor's Map(s) 40, Lot 21.** The application may be examined in the Department of Community Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

Steven J. Sadwick
Director

N28,D5;2431

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Joanna Clayton to Accubanc Mortgage Corporation, dated January 22, 1998 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 9022, Page 75, of which mortgage Residential Funding Corporation is the present holder by assignment, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 a.m. on December 21, 2001, on the mortgaged premises located at 1 Summer Street, Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

The land in said Wilmington, with the buildings thereon, being lots numbered 375 to 378, inclusive, as shown on a plan of land known as Silver Lake Manor, which plan is recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds, Plan Book 33, Plan 3, to which plan reference is hereby made for a more particular description. Said land is located at the corner of Grove Street and Summer Street and contains 16,060 square feet, more or less according to said plan.

Excluding from the above description that parcel known as lots 379-382 inclusive as shown on said plan, originally granted on March 27, 1979 to Simon Carbonneau and Anna N. Carbonneau, recorded on March 28, 1979 in Book 2356, Page 286.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 7716, Page 193.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

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Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

RESIDENTIAL FUNDING CORPORATION
Present holder of said mortgage
By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
Neil W. Heiger, Esquire
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N28,D5,12;2446

LEGAL NOTICE

READING MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT

LEGAL NOTICE
Request for Proposals for Preliminary Planning

The Town of Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) requests proposals for preliminary planning for a new warehouse, garage and maintenance facility.

The Request for Proposals for Preliminary Planning will be available on Monday, December 3, 2001 at the RMLD, 230 Ash Street, Reading, MA or on the RMLD website at www.rmld.com.

Our goal is to completely review all aspects of the current facility and the future requirements of the RMLD. RMLD is willing to look at any and all options including remaining at the existing location, relocating to a new site or a combination of locations. Leasing is a possibility depending on the location and economics of the options.

Please provide a proposal by January 31, 2002 and provide six (6) copies to expedite the review process. RMLD anticipates awarding the contract within two weeks after the receipt of proposals. The proposal should include qualifications of your firm, specific contact information for three (3) past clients on which similar work has been performed and any other relevant information that shows capabilities in this area. Also include in this proposal the qualifications and experience of the person who will be assigned to the project. Deliverables for this assignment will include ten (10) written and one (1) electronic copy of the written report and one (1) public presentation in Reading, Massachusetts.

The fee for preliminary planning shall not exceed $65,000.

The report should, as a minimum, examine the following requirements:

1. Storage capacity for warehouse
2. Storage equipment
3. Loading area
4. Receiving area
5. Sanitary facilities
6. Environmental requirements
7. Garage/vehicle capacity
8. Minimum clearance
9. Basic layout for stock
10. Office layout- (stockmen, mechanic, Credit union, receiving)
11. Maintenance layout area
12. Maintenance equipment/tools
13. Storm Room
14. Facilities Storage

The report should, as a minimum, examine the following requirements: (Continuation)

15. Tool Storage
16. Types of shelving
17. General storage
18. Inventory system
19. Conveyor System
20. Disposal Area
21. Security
22. Fire Suppression System

The report should also as a minimum, examine the following options:

*Review efficient use of existing space
*Expand existing warehouse and garage, Ash Street, Reading
*Construct new warehouse and garage at Ash Street, Reading
*Expand lease space at Ash Street, Reading
*Purchase an existing warehouse
*Renovate existing warehouse and continue to lease, Ash Street, Reading
*Construct warehouse at North Reading Substation on Chestnut Street, North Reading
*Construct a warehouse at the Gaw Station, Causeway Road, Reading
*Convert existing garage into a warehouse and construct a new garage, Ash Street, Reading
*Convert old Power Station for bulk storage use, Ash Street, Reading

The successful firm will be required to provide a Value Engineering Analysis as part of the preliminary planning to insure that the recommendations are the most cost effective design possible.

The successful firm will include in the proposal the qualifications of the independent firm that will perform the Value Engineering Analysis. Also include in the proposal the name and qualification of the engineer and staff who will be responsible to oversee and perform the Value Engineering Analysis.

Any questions on this Request for Proposals should be made to Mr. James Blomley at 781-942-6428.

Reading Municipal Light Board
Allan E. Ames, Chairman
David M. Swyter, Secretary
Daniel Halloran, Member

Pee Wee B's participate in tourney

The Pee Wee B team, sponsored by Wright sales of Windham N.H., traveled 180 some miles north to the long awaited Essex Tourney.

GAME I v.s. Hartford Conn. almost a full period of super back and forth hockey, Hartford takes the lead with a blast from the blueline, no one could have stopped this shot without being harmed. By the end of the first period we all new this was going to be a fierce contest.

Early in the 2nd Joe Ginsburg dropped one into the net off the prettiest backhand dish from Jim McGonigle you'll ever see, and that is how it was left at the end of two. The lads came out a bit lackluster the first 3 shifts of the 3rd which gave Hartford the room they needed to go ahead by 2 goals, but Mike Taylor who will never go down without a fight burned the goalie in an attenpt to fire up the men but it was to late, and that's how it ended 3-2 Hartford.

GAME II v.s. Essex Jct. Shane Mirisola and Cris Noyes combined for the first goal, and Cris Noyes getting the dish from Jim McGonigle to get the guys roarin on the bench, it was a great start. But we learned why they call this team the sting, three quick ones to end the first, that's why. The 3rd period started as the first two had, intense.

Essex trying to hold the lead and our guys trying to rewrite the books of time. With 6 min. remaining Bob Bennett sees a glimmer of hope, T.J. Greene cutting to the net, and with a laser sharp pass from Bennett, Greene closes the book, Tewksbury 3-2 over Essex.

GAME III v.s. St. Albans: After a scoreless first period, the 2nd had Christian Murray and Sean O'Hare trying to get the team fired up with a quick one in the net. Shane Mirisola fed Cris Noyes for one of four goals scored in the 3rd to end the game 5-3 the good guys.

THE FINAL MATCHUP

The Redmen missed the championship game by 2 points, or did they. The consolation game matchup Tewksbury v.s. St.Albans. As expected the game started fast, furious, and hard hitting, with Tewksbury making claims that this arena is now the property T.Y.S.A., and we're here to show you how we conduct business on our property the 1st and 2nd period ended with our men ahead 2-0, with goals by Cris Noyes and Joe Ginsburg and assists by Matt Danecki, and Shane Mirisola respectivly.

The 3rd period was supreme hockey by both teams, with St. Albans ringing up 2 goals of their own to tie it up. A difficult problem with a simple solution, give the puck to T.J. Greene, in the net, unassisted, game ours, lets go home.

Mite B's walk away as winners

The Tewksbury Mite B team sponsored this year by The Weather Vane Restaurant located at 401 Main St., Tewksbury won a hard fought battle versus Lynnfield.

Goalie Sean Dooley stared in net for the Bs and was put to work early as he stretched from side to side, keeping the varmints out of his crease. Sean came up especially big on a two on him alone breakaway, shutting them down with a mighty glove save.

Defensemen Nick Barbera, Ricky Sheehan, Sean Taylor and Mike Bowse skated swiftly and held their own against a strong Lynnfield offense. The first period ended with Lynnfield up by two.

During the second period, Tewksbury forwards Mike Kelleher, Patrick Quinn, Joe Sodergren and Brian Donahue put the pressure on the Lynnfield goalie.

Patrick Quinn took a hard shot then Mike Kelleher walked in for the rebound goal bringing the B's one closer to a tie.

Tewksbury goalie Nico Cunha made a daring dive to cover the puck in front of the crease and slow the opponents momentum. Patrick Quinn tied the game when he stuffed the puck under the goalie with only three minutes left in the second. Chris Irwin is credited with the assist.

As the third period began Keegan Callahan, Ronnie Pop, Colin Foley, Chris Irwin and Frankie Murray wowed the crowd with their excellent passing and heads up plays. Keegan brought the crowd to their feet when he skated the puck up the ice, carrying two defensemen and faked right and slid the puck past the sprawled Lynnfield goalie.

Joe Sodergren was instrumental during a penalty killing attempt, clearing the puck when the pressure was on.

The game was capped off with an outstanding save by goalie Nico Cunha at the buzzer. The B's walked away with an exciting 3-2 victory.

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Junior League

Sparks 18, Rockers 10

Great game played by both teams. The high scorers for the Sparks were Shannon Sullivan and Lauren DeCredico with eight points each and Jessica Joyce with two points. The defensive player of the game for the Sparks was Michelle Reese.

Good "team play" for the Rockers by Callie Lyons, Erin Manning and Nicole Devoe. High scorers were Rebecca Bissett with four points and Callie Lyons, Alyssa Bradley and Alexandra Mahoney with two points each.

Strong defensive play by Rebecca Bissett, Rachel London and Marie Caprio. Defensive player of the game for the Rockers was Rebecca Bissett.

Lynx 17, Liberty 10

The Lynx played an excellent all around game. High scorers were Kristen Brekalis with six points, Caitlin DeFrancesco with four points and Alice Zottoli with three points. Alice Zottoli was also the defensive player for the game for the Lynx.

Excellent game played by the Liberty as well. They never gave up. High scorers for the Liberty were Katie Day with eight points and Kiley Donahue with two. The strong defense was lead by Keara Mahoney.

Monarchs 17, Mercury 12

Great defensive effort for the Monarchs by the entire team to come back from a 10 point deficit at halftime. Aggressive defense from Elizabeth Marchand, Marisa Blaney, Jessica Adams and Carley Parent. Shannon Keohane and Sarah Elwell played great center positions. Continuous shooting effort from Gina White, Meaghan Flynn, Sara Desharnais, and Bianca Barboza. High scorers for the Monarchs were Bianca Barboza with six points and Gina White with four.

High scorers for the Mercury were Brittany Randolph with four points and Jamie Giasullo, Erin Foster, Melissa Popp, and Jessica Stephans with two points each. Jessica Fortier, Annie Whitehouse, Callina Patterson and Talia Bruzzese all played extremely well.

Defensive player of the game for the Mercury was Allison Frazier. Jillian McCarthy, although injured, did a great job of cheering on the team.

Intermediate League

Crusaders 23, Eagles 12

For the Eagles, great offensive effort by the team, good passing and ball movement. High scorer was Erica Belliveau with six points. Also scoring were Brittany Willette, Tracey Capadano, and Shannon O'Neil with two points each. Defensive player of the game was Tracey Capadano.

High scorers for the Crusaders were Kathleen O'Neill with seven points and Caitlin Goffman and Christina Zontini with six points each.

Falcons 16, Huskies 12

A very close battle from start to finish. Neither team deserved to lose, as both teams hustled up and down the court. High scorers for the Falcons were Amanda Beatrice and Shannon Leighton with four points each and Cheri Morrison with two points. Defensive player of the game was Mary Lane.

The Huskies had a slow start, scoring only two points in the first half. However, Julia Conners came out in the second half firing and the Huskies were able to tie the game. Sarah St. Jean was a defensive standout under the boards. High scorers for the Huskies were Julia Conners with six points and Krystina Blaney with four points.

Terriers 18, Wolverines 12

Great first game by all the girls! Congratulations on a job well done. Keep up the good work Terriers. High scorers for the Terriers were Lauren Chamberland and Candice Knoppf with eight points each. Defensive player of the game was Courtney Silva.

Scoring for the Wolverines were Kristen Teneglia with four points, Lisa Policelli, Amanda Bradley, Heidi Dotson and Hillary Ayer with two points each. Defensive player of the game for the Wolverines was Courtney Gramstorff.

Tar Heels 19, Jayhawks 12

Outstanding play on both sides of the ball by the Tar Heels. Great passing to the open players led to even scoring from many players. High scorers were Amanda Hutchins with six points and Leanne Belmonte and Spencer O'Connor with four points each. Defensive players for the Tar Heels were Marissa Fiorentino and Mary Silvestro.

Scoring for the Jayhawks were Kimberly Cook with six points, Kristen Palmer with four points, and Kara Gershman with two points.

Cougars 32, Cardinals 10

Good defense by Jennifer Ferrigno for the Cardinals against a balanced scoring attack. High scorers for the Cardinals were Shelagh Sullivan with six points and Katherine Standke with four points.

Scoring for the Cougars was lead by Taylor Hachey with 12 points, six points for both Catherine Mullholland and Kelsy Moran. Defensive player of the game for the Cougars was Molly Martel.

Senior League

Wizards 20, Spurs 4

A slow start for both teams with many missed opportunities. The Wizards woke up in the second half with 16 of the 20 points. The offense was led by Meghan Greer with seven points. The defensive player of the game was Chelsea Conrad with help from Sheran Elliot and Kim DeCredico.

Also scoring for the Wizards were Sheila Rauseo with four points and Brittany Hartman, Amanda Levesque, Dianne Carew and Chelsea Conrad with two points each.

Heat 31, Jazz 8

The Heat was on right from the tip-off, too much for the Jazz to catch up. Excellent dribbling skills by Lisa Tenaglia and Vanessa Mendonca to get the ball up court. Basic rebounding skills were demonstrated by Ashley Lefebrve and Lynne Andrews.

Time ran out before the Jazz had a chance to come back into the swing of the season. Scoring for the Jazz were Erin Sheehy, Kristine Elwell and Diana Ferrante with two points each and one point each for Jamie Frank and Lynne Andrews. Defensive player of the game was Samantha Marchand.

Heat played a great game - good ball movement and great outside shooting. High scorers were Kellyn Welch with eight points, Alex Sacco with six points, Emily Niles with five points and Jackie O'Connor with four points. Defensive players for the Heat were Michelle Boncore and Jessica Berquist.

Blazers 19, Raptors 12

Good team effort on offense and defense by the Blazers. Strong rebounding from Michelle Haberman kept the Raptors from making a comeback. Alicia Rocco's aggressive play created many opportunities for her teammates. High scorers for the Blazers were Lauren Barbour and Amanda Fogeran with six points each and Alicia Rocco with three points. Alicia Rocco was also the defensive player of the game.

Scoring for the Raptors were Christina Lowe with six points and Meredith Hill, Amanda Spillane, and Katelyn Spillane with two points each.

Hornets 32, Magic 30

Outstanding game! Magic led the whole way. Sarah Boudreau led the charge for the Hornets in the third quarter to close the gap. Rebounding by Danielle DelPonte and fourth quarter scoring by Dina Ferriero combined to beat a tough Magic team. High scorers for the Hornets were Dina Ferriero with 14 points and Sarah Boudreau with 13 points. Defensive player of the game was Ashley Walsh.

High scorers for the Magic were Liz Mucica with 13 points, Julie Carlino with six points and scoring four points each were Colleen Farley and Sonya Shah.

Pee Wee III's winning

The Tewksbury PeeWee 3 Redmen went undefeated this past weekend. Our heroes started with a 6 a.m. game againist Methuen on Saturday at Methuen High. The first period of this Valley League contest was intense as both teams tried to deal with a fogged in rink. Forwards Kevin Swansburg, Brian Kapust, Joe Bucci and Rollie Jenkins were pounding the Methuen goalie with shots.

The defensive teams of Kevin Aguiar, Brett Little, Chris DiIorio and Danny Boyle kept most of the pressure off of Redmen netminder Matt Crowley. Crowley made some unbelievable saves that came from every angle. Billy Medugno, Matt Donahue, Neil Marino and Derek Murphy continued to hammer Methuen with shots, while providing Coach Don Swansburg with swift back checking.

At the eight minute point, Methuen caught a breakaway. Kevin Aguiar made an awesome play by catching the attacker and stripping the puck before he got the shot off at Crowley.

The same hard work ethic was used in the middle period. Tewksbury maintained the pressure until one of their top playmakers, Stephen Dame, set up Neil Marino for the only Redmen goal of the game at 6:22. Methuen tried charging back but Matt Crowley turned them away with a fast skate save. Tewksbury carried the lead into the last period. The Redmen forwards threw every shot they could at the Methuen goalie but were not able to score.

The Rangers did manage to even it up with a hard shot past Crowley's shoulder from the left circle at 6:10. Final score, Tewksbury 1-Methuen 1.

On Sunday afternoon, Tewksbury faced off with Everett at Hockeytown in Saugus. The action started right away in this Dual State game. After just one minute, the line of Derek Murphy, Matt Donahue and Billy Medugno set up a great play in the offensive zone with Donahue tucking in a beauty.

Two minutes later, Everett answered back with a farside shot past Matt Crowley, tying things up. The tight skating, hard hitting defense of Chris DiIorio, Steven Gatti, Danny Boyle, Kevin Aguiar and Brett Little kicked in as Everett managed only five more shots on Crowley in the game.

The second period opened with forwards Stephen Dame, Brian Kapust, Neil Marino, Kevin Swansburg and Joe Bucci slamming the goalie with shot after shot. DiIorio started a play that ended with Matt Donahue sliding one onto Billy Medugno's stick, just add wrist shot and that was the game winner. Everett got a breakaway after a faceoff but Brett Little ran him down in the slot before he could pull the trigger, ending what might have been a comeback. Steven Gatti took a pass from Chris DiIorio in the neutral zone, slipped by the Everett defense and popped in a great shot to finish the third 3-1.

In the last period, Tewksbury kept the game in the Everett zone for most of the time. At two and a half minutes, Little made a pass behind the net to Marino, who sent it out front to the waiting Aguiar. Kevin slapped it in, taking the team lead with 13 goals. Everett got into the Tewksbury zone only five times in the period, and only got two shots on Crowley. The "D" made it an easy game for their goalie. The Tewksbury offense was not finished yet. Brett Little set up a picture perfect Brian Kapust to Kevin Swansburg play to end the scoring, and Everett's suffering, with a 5-1 Tewksbury victory.

Squirt III's split pair

The Tewksbury Squirt III Redmen sponsored by East Coast Irrigation of Tewksbury split a pair of games this weekend with teams from Andover, drilling the Andover 4 team on Saturday 8-3 and losing and exciting battle to a very strong and fast Andover 3 team on Sunday 4-2.

On Saturday, the offensive weapons returned as Tewksbury jumped out to a 6-0 lead on the Andover team at Ristuccia in Wilmington. The scoring started for the Redmen about a minute into the first period when Ian DiRusso, who had an unbelievable afternoon with three goals and an assist, rifled a blazing wrist shot from the circle that buzzed by the head of the goalie to make it1-0.

Slick passing from both Katelyn Ladd and Kyle Russell set up Ian's goal. Two minutes went by when Kenny Pieleski took a great pass from Stephen Bruno and drilled one by Andover's goalie for the first of his two on the day. A minute later, Kyle Russell boomed one from about twenty feet out that practically ripped through the net as the Andover goalie had no time to react before it was by him and the Redmen were up 3-0.

The second period brought much of the same as Kenny Pieleski scored his second of the day with great hustle, jumping on the rebound of a Shawn Leonard shot, and whistling it home, assists going to Shawn and Stephen Bruno, who made a nice pass to set up Shawn. Thirty seconds later, Ian DiRusso struck again as he took a pass from Kyle Russell in the slot and rifled his second of the day by the goalie, 5-0 Redmen.

Tewksbury wasn't done in that period, though, as Sean Kieran hit Katelyn Ladd with a bullet pass at center ice and Katelyn did the rest, deking the defense and drilling one home to make it 6-0 Tewksbury. It would have been easy for Andover to give up at this point but they showed a lot of class in working hard and it finally paid off as they responded with three unanswered goals to cut the margin to 6-3 Redmen.

That lit a fire under the Redmen as Kyle Russell, who had a big game with two goals and two assists struck for his second goal getting a nice combination of passes from Eric DiRusso and Ian DiRusso.

With about a minute and a half left in the game, Sean Kieran, who had two assists in the game, fed a nice pass to Kyle Russell who hit Ian DiRusso open in front of the net. Ian drilled it home for his hat trick and an 8-3 win for the Redmen.

The Redmen got outstanding play from Andrew DeMaio and Mattie Pelrine who kept the pressure on the Andover forwards all day. Defensively, once again David Conley, Zac Countie, Sean Kieran and Jimmy Sullivan made each trip up the ice difficult for Andover with great positioning and aggressive play. The goalie tandem of Matt Bailey and Ryan Jenkins were once again brilliant in net, turning aside some very difficult shots.

On Sunday at the Janus Rink in Lowell, a potent Andover 3 team made it very difficult for the Redmen. The first period was an exciting back and forth contest with both sides getting good chances but outstanding defensive plays being turned in at both ends of the ice made the first period end in a 0-0 tie.

Fierce fore checking by Andrew DeMaio, Zac Countie and Mattie Pelrine kept Andover from getting a lot of good scoring chances. Defensively, the pairings of David Conley and Jimmy Sullivan, and Sean Kieran and Katelyn Ladd were very tough to get by as they used great positioning to keep Andover from getting many second shots.

Andover jumped out with about six minutes left in the second period to a 1-0 lead but about a minute later, Eric DiRusso drilled an incredible shot past the Andover goalie to tie the game at 1-1. Two minutes later, Andover jumped back out in front 2-1, which was the score at the end of two periods.

Goalies Ryan jenkins and Matt Bailey were absolutely superb in net, turning aside some tough chances. Stephen Bruno, Kenny Pieleski and Shawn Leonard were making it difficult for Andover to carry the puck up the ice with great back checking.

Andover started to pull away in the third period as they scored twice to push the lead up to 4-1. The Redmen wouldn't quit, however as with 5:47 left in the game Eric DiRusso fed a great pass to Ian DiRusso who made a valiant bid to score and Kyle Russell jumped all over the rebound and snuck it past the Andover goalie to make it 4-2 Andover. Tewksbury pulled its goalie but despite a flurry of shots Andover hung on for a 4-2 win.

The Redmen should be very proud as they were matched against a very large and more experienced Andover team and played very well.

Squirt V's score 9 goals against Nashoba

The Tewksbury Squirt 5 Youth Hockey Team, sponsored by Ira Chrysler/Jeep had their way with Nashoba 4 this past Thursday at Skate Three in Tyngsboro winning by a 9-1 margin.

The scoring started early for Tewksbury as three minutes into the game as Robbie Pruyne fed a beautiful pass to Johnny Choroszy who hit a streaking Gina Glavin up the side. Gina went in alone on the Nashoba goalie and drilled it past for a quick 1-0 lead.

It only took two minutes before Tewksbury struck again. This time, Johnny Choroszy hit Michael Walsh out near center ice and Michael beat the defense to the goal and drilled his first of two on the night. Choroszy decided to score one on his own with 3:28 left in the first as he made an end to end rush and delivered a bullet past the Nashoba goalie to give the Redmen a quick 3-0 lead and connect on his first of three.

Robbie Pruyne delivered a minute later on a similar end to end rush and let a booming shot fly from the circle that the goalie had no chance on. With fifteen seconds left, Johnny Choroszy put on a scoring clinic as he took a nice pass from Gina Glavin and drilled it past a stunned goalie. With four seconds left in the period, he scored his second in eleven seconds as he intercepted a Nashoba pass and drilled it high over the goalie's shoulder for a hat trick and a 6-0 Redmen lead.

Nashoba played very well in the second period and came back to score with 11 seconds left in the period to have the score after two periods, 6-1 Tewksbury. The third period belonged to the Redmen as Michael Walsh scored his second of the night when he took a beautiful cross ice pass from Gina Glavin and tucked it under the pads of the Nahoba goalie.

Gina, who also had a big game with two goals and two assists, got a great feed from Brendan Kieran to nail her second of the night with four minutes left in the game, assists going to Brendan and Michael Walsh. That climbed the score to 8-1 Tewksbury, but the Redmen had one more in their pocket as Tyler Bulger delivered a booming shot that whistled through the goalie and finished the scoring at 9-1 Redmen.

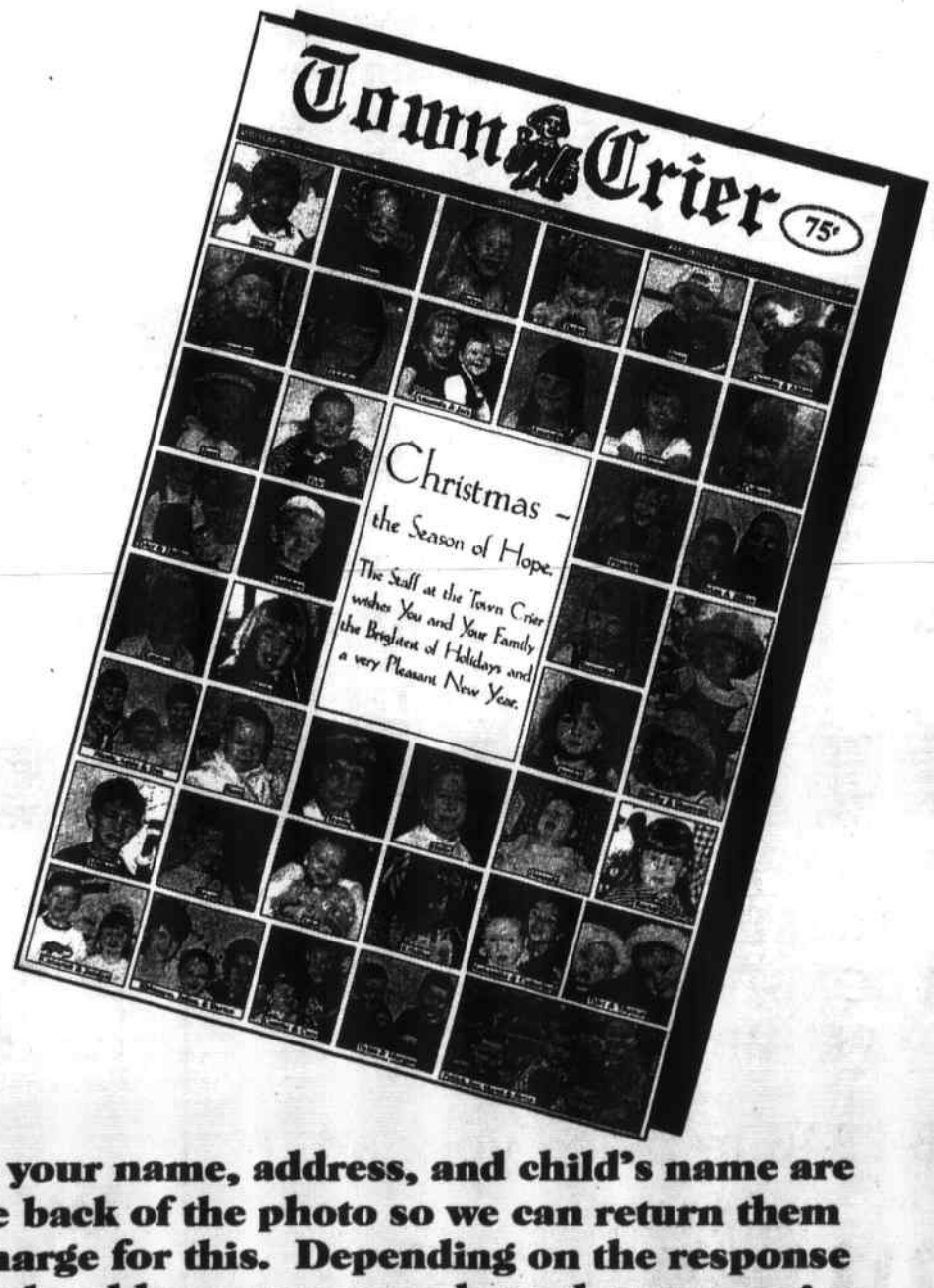
Johnny Choroszy, Brendan Kieran and Michael Walsh all got assists on that goal. The Redmen got great defensive work from their goalie, Stephen Noble and their defensive corps of Justin Gibson, Brendan Kieran, Nick Ashley and Robbie Pruyne. Great back checking by forwards Joe Samson and Frankie Chiara took away a lot of the steam from Nashoba's forwards. This was a great job by an improving team!

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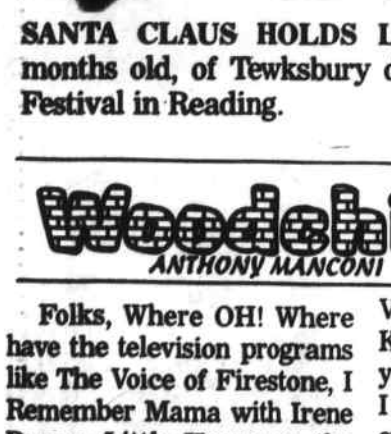
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Folks, Where OH! Where have the television programs like The Voice of Firestone, I Remember Mama with Irene Dunne, Little House on the Prarie and Leave It To Beaver gone? Thank God someone has sense enough to continue the Lawrence Welk program which my family and I watch and enjoy.

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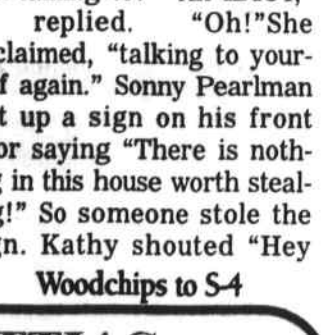
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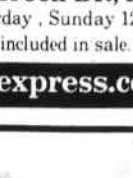


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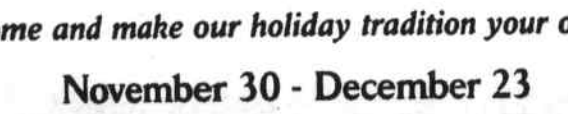
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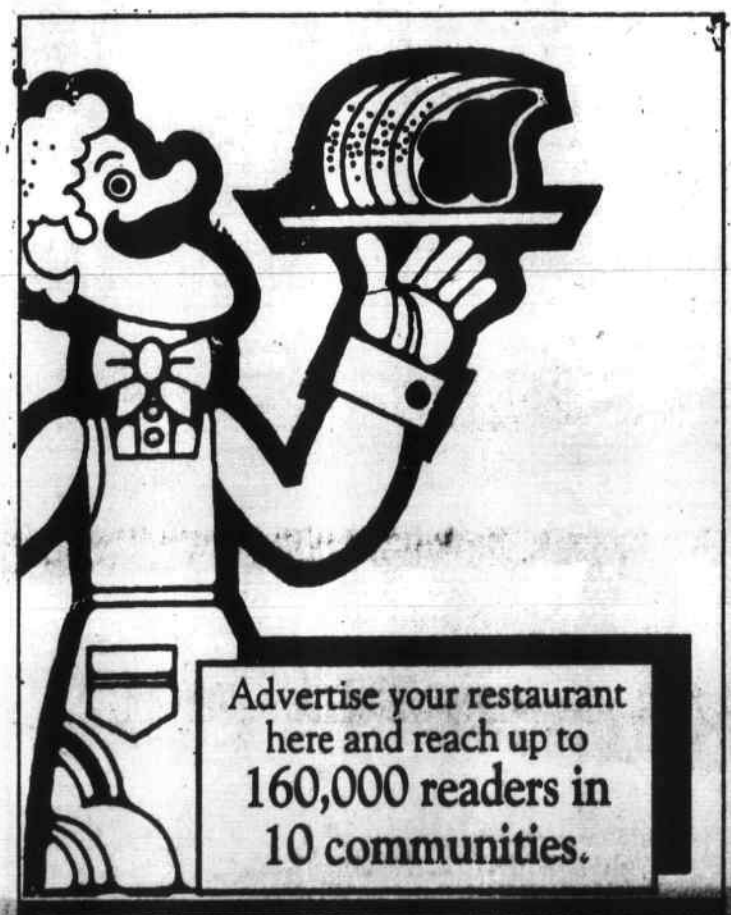
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by Phyllis Nissan

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"Stoneham Attorney Sam Higer is currently serving as President of the Stoneham Rotary Club; Priscilla Gottwald, Community Relations Manager of the Reading Municipal Light Department is the President of the North Reading Rotary Club; and Barbara Martin, Executive Vice President of Broadway National Bank in Chelsea is the President of the Chelsea Rotary Club.

"Attorney Sam Higer has a private law practice in Stoneham, specializing in criminal litigation. A resident of Stoneham for 14 years, he has been active in the business community for the past 16 years and has been a Rotarian for the past two years. He and his wife, Dianne, are the parents of two daughters, Morrisa and Betsy.

"Priscilla Gottwald, Community Relations Manager for the Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD), has been a Rotarian for the past three years. A resident of Stoneham for 21 years, Priscilla has been associated with the RMLD for three years. She and her husband, Fred, are the parents of five children: Erin, Kristen, Tom, Gretchen and Danny.

"Barbara Martin, Executive Vice President of Broadway National Bank in Chelsea has been a Rotarian for five years and has the distinction of being the second woman President in the history of the Chelsea Rotary Club. She and her husband, Ed, have two children: Michael and Meghan.

"Collectively, the Presidents have expressed goals for the coming year, focusing on increasing membership and awareness of Rotary International in their hometown and in the communities in which they work."

Island magic: Reading

"Pictures were taken of all the Adopt-an-Island sites around town and 20 spots were chosen for sets of photo notecards," notes the Reading edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"These were made into four sets of five cards each and were shown to the participants of the project at their Appreciative Lasagna Dinner at the Senior Center. The sets are available for purchase by the public at Sense of Wonder on Main Street, for a small donation. All donations made will be used to support the project. Osco Drug supported the effort by contributing to the cost of photo reprinting.

"The Appreciation Dinner for the caring citizens was made possible because of the help of the Chamber of Commerce, Atlantic Food Mart, McDonald's, and the Reading Garden Club. The number involved has grown each year and as this year draws to a close, there are 84 sites.

"If anyone is interested in getting a site for next year, there are new sites available. Call Kathy at 781-944-1931, Bea at 781-944-4066, or Judy at 781-944-1681 for more information."

Community vision: Winchester

"As part of its newly adopted vision of emergency health services at Winchester Hospital, the hospital will be rearranging its 41 Highland Avenue campus to emphasize its acute care functions and improving its Emergency Department, according to hospital officials," notes the Winchester edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"'Emergency Medicine is an important part of our vision of being a preeminent community hospital,' said Dale Lodge, President and CEO of Winchester Hospital. 'Providing the best emergency care and the highest level of inpatient care are two of the most important services a community hospital can provide. We strongly feel that our patients and their families deserve the highest possible level of care consistent with the standards Winchester and its residents expect.'

"Lodge reported in the past year, more than 2500 Winchester residents alone used the services of the Emergency Department.

"'In our vision the Emergency Department will be even better equipped to handle a wide variety of emergency cases. From conditions such as heart attacks and strokes to children's emergencies to lacerations requiring stitches, we'll be better able to care for them all. The improvement project will include a number of specialized treatment areas; shorter waiting times and better waiting areas....'"

Local artist Ron Straka will give demonstration

The Reading Art Association will hold its monthly meeting and artist demonstration on Wednesday, December 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, Sanborn Street, Reading.

Ron Straka, the featured professional artist, will demonstrate in oils. He has a love for En Plein Aire Painting and traveling abroad has inspired his work. He has painted since his early teens, and received instruction from many outstanding Cape Ann artists. A graduate of the John Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD., he worked for the U.S. government as a physical scientist.

He loves teaching art, and has inspired students at all levels. He is currently teaching at numerous North Shore classes, workshops, and private lessons. Ron is a member of the Rockport Art Association, North Shore Art Association, Academic Artists Association, and the Society of Marine Artists.

Refreshments will be served. For non-members, there is a suggested donation of three dollars. Membership inquiries and upcoming exhibits can be directed to Leo Lambert.

Swedish Yuletide Fair December 8

Wilmington residents and Swedish natives Linda Bolinder and Christina Bergstrom are helping with the preparation for Swedish Yuletide - an authentic Swedish Christmas Fair and celebration. The 16th the 4th year in a row. His beautiful knives and jewelry made out of reindeer horn and birch burl are engraved with designs derived from a tradition practiced for thousands of years by the indigenous Sami people.

The highlight of the Yuletide Fair is the visit of St. Lucia, the queen of light, who comes with her procession of white-clad, candle bearing singers to spread light in the darkest of winter months. This year's St. Lucia is Sofia Hallqvist, 21, of Wellesley.

There is a Swedish Cafe to enjoy a smorgasbord of delicious traditional dishes such as Swedish open face sandwiches, herring, a warming pea soup, the spicy holiday drink, Glogg, and more.

The "Children's Corner' will have its own Smaland theme: Pippi Longstocking, the much beloved strong and independent redhead from the Astrid Lindgren books will be featured here together with information about the author. There will be elkhounds to pet, as well as a chance to make fun Christmas decorations and catch treats in a "fishing pond."

Proceeds from Swedish Yuletide go toward scholarships and local charities, such as the Scandinavian Living Center in Newtown. Admission is $5 and $1 for children. For more information, please call toll free 1-877-SWEA-BOS, or visit their Web site at www.sweaboston.org.

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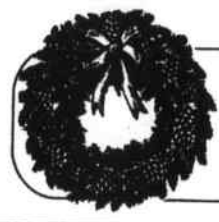
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Woodchips

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stupid aren't you coming to bed?" "Yes," I said "after I brush my teeth." A half hour later she asked again and added, "What the heck is taking you so long?" "I'm brushing YOUR TEETH now dear."

Father Leo Shea said "Devote the time we spend getting EVEN with those who have hurt us in getting EVEN with those who have HELPED us." A Hobo asked Ruthie Pearlman for some food. "Would you like some of yesterday's Chicken Soup?" "Oh that would be wonderful" he replied. "Good" Ruthie said "then come back tomorrow."

My Aunt Nora was very upset when she was notified that her check BOUNCED for insufficient funds. She called up bank manager Ronald Reed and shouted "How in the world can that be when I still have two checks in my book I haven't even used yet?" Folks, nothing is perishable like Yesterday's movie stars.

Michael Goldfaro asked Kathy "How do you want your Pizza cut, 6 or 8 pieces?" Kathy said, "You better make it six, I am on a DIET." Tony Stack's Uncle Dinny fell into a mixing vat at a brewery in Ireland and drowned. His co-workers had ahold of his twice but he kept pushing them away. He was cremated and the fire burned for three days. You could say "Dinny went out in a BLAZE OF GORY." Kathy took a three week's course in weight reduction and LOST 21 DAYS. FDA Inspectors were told the heads of the sardines are cut off before they are packed so they won't "bite" each other in the can. My little Niece Maureen starts off each morning in school singing "My country tis of thee, sweet land of "Lipton Tea" of thee I sing.

PERSONALITY WINNERS - Roger Bergeron, John Cashell, Tom Cannon, Ken Binding, Chris Skeffington all of WOBURN, Vikki Guido, Jill Clarke, Alves Jordans, Lou and Gail O'Malley, Katie Cosgrove all of WINCHESTER, Sage Costa, Mike Camerlengo, Fr. John Crispo, Peter Magri, Bob Raleigh all of BURLINGTON, Jackie Ronan, Ram Spuhler, Jennie Williamson, Jenna Shoemaker, Tony Belamino all of READING, Justin Berry, Emily Cosentino, Brett Keough, Christopher Pietrofitta, Tom Kelleher all of WAKEFIELD, David Greaves, Susan Guarino, Michelle Anderson, Carol Hughes, Julie Scott all of STONEHAM, Happy 100th Ivy Lienhard, Eric Ring, Christina Stewart, Linday Bruno, Patricia Millward all of WILMINGTON, Bob O'Sullivan, Robert McCann, Bernie Shea, John and Grace Washburn, Joe Foley all of TEWKSBURY, Marais Canali Stephen Bloom, Marc Miller, Meghan Sweezey all of LYNNFIELD, Patrick Wicker, Jim MacLauchlan, Joe Veno, Kelli Anne Bloom, Jodi Gerardi all of NORTH READING.

DREAMBOATS - Martha Burns of WOBURN, Ann Rocco of WINCHESTER, Jane Boivin of BURLINGTON, Laurie Corbett of READING, Jackie Ronan of WAKEFIELD, Michelle Naehle of STONEHAM, Megan Pickett of WILMINGTON, Lois Moore of TEWKSBURY, Julie Lamusta of LYNNFIELD, Alexandra Doyle of NORTH READING.

SUPERSTARS - Tyler O'Brien of WOBURN, Father Dick Messina of WINCHESTER, Lee Preble of BURLINGTON, Jerry Silver of READING, Nick Fiori of WAKEFIELD, Pat Black and Bob DelVecchio, both of STONEHAM, Paul Pintrich of WILMINGTON.., Victor and Claire Geoffrey of TEWKSBURY, Dr. Richard Palermo of LYNNFIELD, Claudia Crocker and Alicia Weir both of NORTH READING and Dora Hirtle of NOVA SCOTIA.

I remember when Rowan Fitzgerald was mowing his lawn. A stranger with a notebook under his arm stopped at the fence. Rowan stopped the mower and said "Good morning, can I help you?" "Is this your house Sir?" "Yes" Rowan replied. "Well" the man said, "It's a beautiful house, it is worth at least $200,000." "What" Rowan exclaimed, "I had all new oak floors installed, kitchen cabinets, replaced a new bathroom fixtures installed. It is worth now over $300,000." Rowan asked "Are you looking for a house to buy in this area?" The man smiled and said, "No sir, I am the new assessor and thank YOU for your help."

Folks what Rowan should have said was, "Yes, the house looks great from the outside BUT it has a SUNKEN living room where the supporting beam slipped off the foundation. Also, the leg of the bathtub upstairs protrudes through the kitchen ceiling downstairs. It also has an indoor pool BUT you have to wait until it rains to use it. The uneven PATIO is where the cement truck tipped over when the foundation was being poured." Folks, feel free to use these gems when filing for a rebate of your TAXES.

Books to read on a cold winter night - "The Run to the Outhouse" by Willie Makit, "She was only a stableman's daughter BUT all of the Horsemen knew her," "Head for the ROUNDHOUSE Nellie, he can't corner you there." Al Pizzano had a new carpet installed in his camp bathroom in Maine. Next year he will have the carpet installed all the way to the house.

Kiwanis President John MacCurtin of Reading invited me to speak at the Club's luncheon. I told my best jokes, stories and quips BUT no one heard them all. Clout Tomkinson fell asleep and snored so loud no one heard me at all. My Cousin Marie Connors is an accomplished pianist. She left this note for her handsome husband Gary, "I'm doing by Christmas "CHOPIN" early, I have a long "LISZT" so don't expect me "BACH" in a "MINUET".

Winter has arrived Folks, George Gould stepped out his front door to pick up the morning paper. He saw me walking my dog and shouted, "Hey Chipper, it sure is COLD. You have winter drawers on." "How do you know? You don't have your PANTS ON."

Santa

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Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

•**MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA QUESTION:** When was the last time an NFL game was played where one team completed the contest without throwing a single pass? Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

•**READING WOMEN'S SPORTS** will hold signups for Recreational Women's Basketball on Saturday, January 12 at the Reading Public Library from 10 am until noon. All women over 21 are welcome to participate. The fee is $60. For more information call 781-942-2866.

•**READING'S ANTHONY FIORITA** has been selected to the prestigious Lightning Baseball of New England 13 year Old AAU baseball team. Anthony was one of 16 players chosen from more than 75 players from MA, VT, NH, and ME who tried out over five sessions this fall. Anthony plans on trying out as a pitcher and middle infielder. Coach Rick Petersen, also an Associate Scout with the San Diego Padres, says "Anthony has a good chance to be one of our top players. He is an excellent all around player who can field and hit well."

Anthony, a seventh grader at the Coolidge Middle School, played for the Reading Youth Baseball Giants last year. When he was nine he struck out 16 batters in six innings in the AAU World Series. In AAA, he allowed only four hits the entire season.

Lightning Baseball of New England is the Premier AAU program in the United States. Over the last five years Lightning Baseball has compiled an unequalled nine top 10 finishes at the National Championships, including a second place finish at the AAU 13U National Championship in 2000 and a third place finish at the USA Baseball Jr. Olympics in 2001.

•**THE READING BURBANK YMCA** will hold a youth basketball league, where kids can meet new friends and have a fun team experience. Pre-K students play at 9 am, kindergarteners at 10 am, first graders at 11 am, second graders at noon, and second and third graders on Saturdays at 1 pm and on Wednesdays from 5-6 pm.

•Need some clues to help out with the above-mentioned trivia question? One of the teams involved in the game was the Cleveland Browns.

•**THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE** at the Woburn Bowladrome is underway, and the league is looking for three new bowlers. Interested participants can head to the Bowladrome on Wednesdays at 7 pm. The league is 100 percent handicap and averages range from 85 to 110. For more information call 781-229-8683.

•The Northeast Baseball League will begin play next year, with all games being played at the Revere High baseball field. The league will feature players age 13-16 from towns like Wakefield and Stoneham, and all players will use wooden bats, rather than aluminum. For more information call Cathy Bagnera at 781-289-0847.

•**THE METRO BOSTON AMATEUR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION** is offering umpire clinics for new candidates on an individual basis. For more information call Ray Macone at 781-665-9745.

•**ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:** After being chastised by Philadelphia coach Greasy Neale in 1950 for playing a game where they only threw passes and use the run game, the Cleveland Browns were able to exact revenge the next time the two teams played, on December 3, 1950, when they refused to throw a pass the entire game. The beat Philadelphia 13-7.

•**DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T?** If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports. P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200 between 7 am and 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday, or fax information at 781-942-0884.

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Guidance Director Nancy Minichiello announces that on Thursday, December 6 at 7 pm a Financial Aid information session will be held in the Wakefield High School Cafeteria. The evening will feature information on college based financial aid, bank lending programs and the Wakefield Citizens' Scholarship Foundation.

The keynote speaker will review all new guidelines as well as walk the audience through both the "New Profile" required by many private colleges and the "Free Application for Federal Student Aid." New federal guidelines regarding tax credits for parents of students in college will also be discussed.

Parents of college bound students are cordially invited to attend.

HOLIDAY MUSIC AT SAVINGS BANK

The Holiday Music series at The Savings Bank in Wakefield began on December 1 and will next present the choir of Our Lady of Nazareth Academy on Saturday morning, December 8.

This annual holiday tradition is a great way to get into the spirit of the season and bank customers and friends are encouraged to visit the Main Office on Saturday morning to enjoy the music.

NORTH READING CHRISTMAS CONCERT

On December 8 at 8 pm at the Aldersgate Methodist Church, 235 Park Street, North Reading, there will be a chorale Christmas concert, given by The North Reading Community Chorale.

All are welcome to celebrate the Christmas season. There will be songs to add to your Christmas spirit and an opportunity to kick off the holiday season.

Call Nancy at 978-664-4800 for tickets or your can purchase the $5 tickets at the door.

AMERICA'S FUND FOR AFGHAN CHILDREN

The New England Youth Chamber Ensemble will give a benefit Children for Children Concert on December 8 at 5 pm at the First Congregational Church, 322 Main Street, Woburn to raise money for America's Fund for the Afghan Children.

Noah Gray-Cabey, a five year old pianist that lives in Newry, Maine, is the featured artist performing in this concert. Noah is a piano soloist with the New England Youth Ensemble, an orchestra of college-age young people and the New England Youth Chamber Ensemble, a youth orchestra in which the average age of the members is 12.

All of any proceeds gained from Noah' concerts have and will continue to go to benefit foundations and orphanages, such as the fund of the Afghan children.

An interesting footnote to this is that the national television show "48 Hours", a CBS production, is doing a show on Noah and his family and will be on hand for this concert as part of that endeavor. The show is scheduled to air on December 21.

POSTAL FACILITIES COLLECT TOYS FOR TOTS

Nine postal facilities in seven Middlesex East communities are taking part in the Marine Corps Reserve "Toys for Tots" program.

"Please donate a new, unwrapped toy" Charles Boncore, Postal Service coordinator said. He added "Remember the toys needed are for all age groups, even teenagers, to open on Christmas morning."

Persons wishing to donate toys can bring them to the following facilities by December 18:

North Reading 76 Main St and North Reading Post Office, 174 Park Street; Woburn - 462 Washington Street and Woburn Station, 1 Abbott Street; Wilmington, Post Office at 18 Church Street; Burlington, Post Office 7 Bedford Street; Reading Post Office 136 Haven Street; Wakefield, Post Office 321 Main Street and Tewksbury, Post Office, 1751 Main Street.

Boncore, who has been affiliated with the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program since 1979, said more than 10,000 toys were collected by Middlesex-Central postal facilities last year.

Persons wishing more information can call Boncore at 781-937-8707.

WAKEFIELD RAINBOW GIRLS BREAKFAST

The Wakefield Rainbow Girls are busy preparing for their first Holiday Pancake Breakfast which will be held this Saturday, December 8 from 8 to 11 am at the Wakefield/Lynnfield Masonic Building, 370 Salem Street.

Admission is $2 for kids - 9 and under - and $3 for adults.

Come and enjoy the festivities and support the Wakefield Rainbow girls and all are welcome!

WRITERS GROUP HOLDS BOOK SIGNING

The newly established Woburn Writers Group is presenting a book signing of local authors of all genres on Sunday, December 9 at the Thompson Library, Elm Street in Woburn from 2 to 4 pm

Meet your local authors and have the opportunity to purchase books for Christmas. All ages are welcome and for more information call Kate Genovese at 781-935-9189

BOOK SIGNING BY ED PALMER

Reading, Massachusetts "Then and Now" and "U.S.S. Massachusetts" - the WWII Memorial for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at Fall River, signings will be at the Reading Co-Op Bank on Thursday, December 13 from 4 to 7 pm.

Ed Palmer will also be signings his two books at the Reading Post Office on Saturday from 9 am to noon.

SINGLES SQUARES WINTER DANCE

Single Squares welcomes all to their "Winter Wonderland Dance" on Friday, December 14 from 8 to 11 pm.

The dance will be held at St. Anthony's Hall, 1020 Main Street, Route 38, Woburn and the caller will be Jay Silva, the Cuer Phil Gatchell.

For more information call Bev at 781-272-4185 or Eva at 781-890-2637.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON FOR AARP MEMBERS

The Christmas Luncheon will be held on Friday, December 14 at the Kernwood Restaurant, 55 Salem Street, Lynnfield. Social hour starts at 12 noon and the luncheon will follow at 12:30. Tickets are $19 per person. There will be entertainment by Don Sansom at the keyboard.

For reservation information call Emma Abely in Reading at 781-944-8527.

TEACHERS/PROGRAMS NEEDED FOR COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Wakefield Community Education is looking for individuals who have a hobby, skill, talent, trade, or avocation who might like to share it with others and be paid for the pleasure.

Specific needs include a floral design teacher and a computer instructor. Courses and programs can meet for as little as two hours or as many as necessary.

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SINGLES CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

The fourth annual meeting of the Singles Club in Boston invites all to attend as the meeting is open to members as well as to the public on Thursday, December 6 at 7:30 pm at the Jefferson - Cutter House in Arlington.

The club's charter is to provide casual, low-pressure activities for singles to have fun and meet new people.

"Bring your best event ideas and help us plan activities that will attract the kinds of people you would like to meet" said a spokesman for the group." And he added: "if you can't attend, ask for a newsletter by calling 1-866-286-CLUB."

NEWBURYPORT CHORAL SOCIETY CONCERTS

The sounds of Christmas music will fill the air when the Newburyport Choral Society, one of the largest and oldest choral groups in New England, opens it 67th performance year by presenting its annual holiday concerts on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, December 7, 8, and 9 in the Belleville Congregational Church, High Street, Newburyport. The concerts on Friday and Saturday evenings begin at 8 pm and on Sunday the concert is at 2 pm.

Tickets are $20 for adults, and $18 for seniors and students. For additional information call at 0978-462-0650.

NORTHERN ESSEX

The Northern Essex Community College Chorus and Performance Ensemble will perform its "Winter Concert" on Saturday, December 8 at 7:30 and on Sunday, December 9 at 2 pm in the Bentley Library on the Haverhill campus of the college.

The program is free and open to the public and will feature a variety of music styles including blues, latin, folk, rock and pop.

This performance is just one of the many events representing the Performing Arts in the Series Fall 2001 which is a calendar of events that celebrates the Liberal Arts at Northern Essex Community College.

For additional information contact Elaine Mawhinney, coordinator of the program at 978-556-3395.

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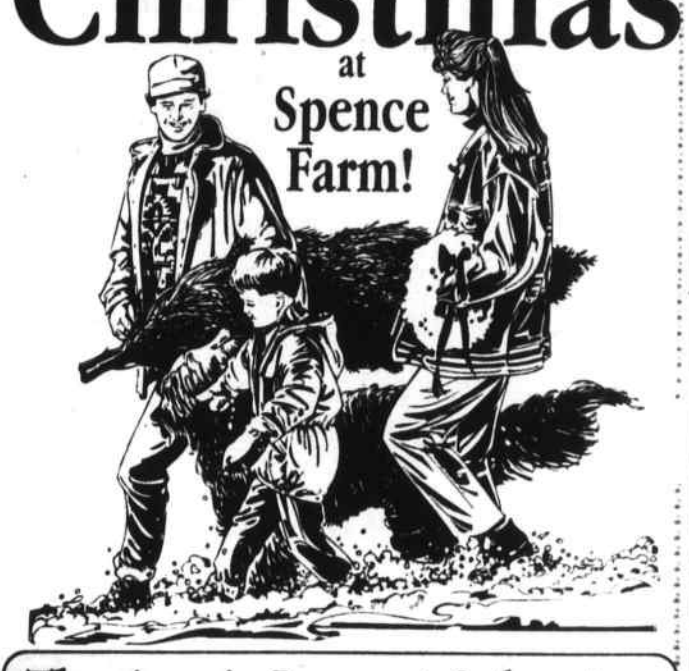
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Spotlight on Seniors

Bones, bones, bones better care, less wear

Osteoporosis can cause more than physical effects. In fact, Osteoporosis - a silent disease that causes bones to become more porous - can lead to feelings of helplessness, lack of confidence or loss of independence. That's because as the disease progresses and bones become thinner and weaker, you can break a bone from a minor injury. A fall or excessive strain on your back can increase your risk for broken bones. This can lead to pain, height loss, restricted mobility or a humped back. These physical changes can have a significant impact on your outlook on life.

The good news is, if Osteoporosis is detected early enough, its effects may be prevented. To help protect yourself from the dangers of osteoporosis, it is important to talk to your doctor about your risk for osteoporosis and whether a bone density test is right for you. A bone density test is a way to help your doctor measure the health of your bones. It may also be used to monitor your rate of bone loss and response to therapy. A bone density test is a quick , painless and easy procedure.

"Today, women have options. If a woman knows she has low bone mass or osteoporosis, she can discuss ways to prevent further bone loss or treatments to increase bone mass and reduce fracture risk," advises Ethel Siris, M.D., director of the Toni Stabile Osteoporosis Center of the Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center in New York.

Although exercise, calcium, vitamin D and lifestyle changes are all important, they may not be enough to prevent or treat osteoporosis. The most valuable first step is to get a bone density test. If you are diagnosed with osteoporosis, work with your physician to find a treatment option that is right for you.

•Get regular exercise - Weight-bearing exercise that increase bone and muscle strength and improve flexibility help protect bones against fracture. Before starting any exercise program, you should first talk with your doctor.

•Ensure an adequate intake of calcium and vitamin D - Calcium is important to keep your bones strong. The best source of calcium is food; however if you can't get enough calcium from food, you can take supplements. Vitamin D helps your body absorb calcium.

•Prevent accidents to avoid injury - Medications, including some steroids such as hydrocortisone or prednisone, can increase bone loss. Ask your doctor about side effects of your medications. Inactivity, smoking, or drinking too much alcohol can also weaken your bones.

•Take action - Talk to your doctor about treatment options that can help strengthen your bones. While there is no cure for osteoporosis, there are a number of medications available by prescription including estrogens, bisphosphonates, calcitonin and selective estrogen receptor modulators (SERMs).

To learn more about osteoporosis, call 1-800-950-6724 or visit the Web site, www.bonedensitytest.com.

Common myths
What causes a common cold?

It starts with a minor tickle in the throat, followed by some sniffles and a cough - suddenly, you-re faced with a full-blown cold. Feel the familiar symptoms coming on? Tell your friends and soon you're inundated with recipes for "Mom's chicken soup" and other homeade concoctions and remedies.

What is known of this pesky virus? Generally, the common cold is caused by the rhinovirus (rhino means nose) that enters the body through the nose and resides in the nasal passages and cells. It then infects and re-infects the body for a period of several days, eventually overwhelming the body's immune system.

Common colds are so widespread that few people escape infection each year and most suffer multiple infections. The national Center for Health statistics estimates that there are approximately 22 million lost school days, 22 million lost days of work and 300 million days of restricted activity associated with the cold each year.

Solutions do exist, but the myths are almost as frequent as the estimated one billion colds suffered annually in the United States alone. Following are some of the cold facts regarding the common myths about colds:

• Cold weather, more colds? Yes and no. Colds are more common during cold weather, but temperature has little or no relation to the development or severity of a cold. In the wintertime, people tend to stay indoors, in poorly ventilated areas, which become a breeding ground for the transmission of viruses.

•Starve a cold and feed a fever or feed a cold(and starve a fever)? Neither, actually. When you have a cold, your intake of fluids, particularly water, should be increased. Hot fluids can help soothe a sore throat or cough. In general, you should eat enough to satisfy your appetite

•Sweat out your cold? If you have no fever, continuing an exercise routine is generally fine. Contrary to popular belief, however, you cannot sweat out a cold. Most importantly, keep yourself well-hydrated and don't push yourself beyond your limit.

Is symptom relief the only solution?

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Health experts say the best advice is to prepare for the inevitable cold war by monitoring health and lifestyle.

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School Notes

by Phyllis Nissen

Reaching for the best of the best

Blood drive December 8 in North Reading

Giving blood is an ideal way to give thanks in a practical, meaningful way. This Thanksgiving season, the American Red Cross bloodmobile will visit the Masonic Lodge, 283 Park St. North Reading on Saturday, December 8, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

"Our health is something we tend to take for granted until we lose it," said Cathy Pray, Director. "Yet it is one of the most precious blessings we have. By donating blood, we are able to share some of our good health with those who are less fortunate. It's a gift we can give at no cost to ourselves, yet it could mean the difference between life and death for a waiting patient.

Blood is used for surgery, accidents, chemotherapy and many other serious or life-threatening conditions. People of all ages, from babies to the elderly, need blood. The chances that any given individual will need blood during his or her lifetime is extremely high.

This Christmas season, take an hour out of your schedule to truly give thanks by giving blood.

For more information, call the American Red Cross at 1-800-448-3543.

Andover Choral Society community sing Monday

On Monday, December 10 at 7:30 pm the Andover Choral Society will present its eighth annual Community Messiah Sing at the First Calvary Baptist Church, 586 Mass. Avenue, North Andover.

This annual event provides a wonderful holiday opportunity for members of the community to join together with the members of the choral society in presenting, in an informal setting, the beloved Christmas sections of the Messiah along with the Hallelujah Chorus. Singers will be joined by prominent and up-and-coming soloists from the Boston area. Leonard Ciampa will be the organist.

For information on this performance or for membership details call 978-687-8225.

Exsultet winter concert "The Gift of Love"

Local chamber chorus "Exsultet! A Celebration of Voices" invites all to join them for their Winter concert "The Gift of Love" on Saturday, December 8 at 8 pm at Holy Trinity United Methodist Church, 16 Sylvan Street, Danvers and a repeat performance will take place on Sunday, December 9 at 5 pm at Our Lady of Good Voyage Church, Gloucester.

This concert features English choral music as well as the American premiere of a work by Australian composer Christopher Bowen.

Tickets are available at the door and are $10 for general admission and $7 for seniors and student6s. Both churches are wheelchair accessible. For more information contact Richard Laraga, artistic director at 978-750-9041.

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Births

STEVEN AND KATHY (LOMAX) CARLIN of Tewksbury announce the birth of their daughter Emily Rose on November 6, 2001. Emily joins her her 4 1/2 year old twin brothers Michael and Andrew.

Grandparent honors are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carlin of Acton, Maine, and Mary Lomax of

THOMAS AND ERIN (O'CONNOR) BARRY are pleased to announce the birth of their seventh child, Lauren Terese Barry, on October 4, 2001, at Winchester Hospital.

Lauren was welcomed home by her big brothers and sisters, Joey, Connor, Michaela, Julia, Brendan and Kyle.

Grandparent honors are extended to Richard and Mary O'Connor of Reading and Robert and Madelyn Barry of Stoneham.

Honoring character in Woburn

"In the face of injustice, from the evil of Osama bin Laden to the smaller sins of everyday ill will, it takes character to prevail," notes the Woburn edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"Americans believe this is a country of strong character, and want their children to be young men and women of equally good character.

"A group of 200 students, surrounded by their parents, siblings, teachers, principals and well-wishers, gathered in the stadium behind Woburn High School and showed there is hope for a brighter tomorrow, that there are youths of today who are willing to do right, even though it is not always easy.

"These students, inaugural members of the Woburn Schools' Character Congress, were honored by having their names placed on plaques that will take the shape of a tree on a wall of the O'Donnell Auditorium at the high school, a 'wall of character.'

"The students, in grades 6-11, were nominated for the Character Congress by their teachers for embodying one of 10 important traits: honesty, integrity, citizenship, respect, caring, responsibility, courage, trustworthiness, diligence and fairness.

"They attend an annual congress, and this year started to meet on a regular basis. They have elected officers and meet to talk about ways to promote character development and ensure their schools are healthy, safe places for all students.

"More recently, Character Congress President Michael DiRienzo told the assembled crowd, the group has been meeting to talk about ways to honor and raise funds for the rescue workers and victims of Sept. 11 and to recognize there are people closer to home who need help as well.

"Said congress Vice President Elizabeth Miller, 'We must not forget there are people suffering in our own community.'...."

Keeping up with Jones in North Reading

"The vice-principal of the Middle School - Mr. Charles 'Charlie' Jones - has announced plans to retire at the close of the school year.

"'Mr. Jones,' as he is known to students, is leaving the Middle School after serving there in various capacities for nearly 40 years and there's no doubt his shoes will be difficult to fill.

"A history buff, Mr. Jones teaches the school's demanding honors U.S. History class in addition to his duties as vice-principal and is respected by all who have had the privilege of being in his class - or in his school.

"Though rumors had been around for some time, Jones' intention to retire became public at the Oct. 15 School Committee meeting when a choked up Trisha Colella made the official announcement.

"Colella, a product of North Reading public schools, was a student of Mr. Jones in the early days of his career and holds the utmost respect for him, still insisting on calling him by the formal 'Mr. Jones.'

"'Mr. Jones had an outstanding career as an educator in the North Reading public schools' said an emotional Colella. 'He truly is an asset to the schools and to North Reading in general.'

"Though his contributions to the Middle School are too numerous to detail, Mr. Jones is probably best known around town for the 'field trips' he has taken middle schoolers on over the years.

"Each October, his eighth grade history students have had the opportunity to visit Gettysburg and Amish Country, an adventure aimed at making their history lessons come alive. The trip includes camping out, cooking out and adhering to Mr. Jones' many rules. For generations of young students, and their parent chaperones, the trip has been an experience they'll never forget...."

Raising a 'global child' in Wilmington and Tewksbury

"Global Child has returned to the Tewksbury and Wilmington public schools with a new theme, 'Home and Family,' notes the "Wilmington Town Crier."

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Now's the time

Friendly college financial plan available

If you've recently had a child, now is the perfect time to update your financial plan, consider creating one to help you amp out an overall strategy for your family's financial future.

Your plan should include provisions for goals like paying down debt, building an emergency fund, saving for retirement, life insurance and a college fund. If the mere mention of college washes over your body like a wave of terror, try not to worry. With proactive planning and smart investing, you will be able to count your child among the millions of children who go off to college each year. One reason many parents panic about college financing is they assume they make "too much money" to qualify for financial aid yet don't make enough to entirely pay for college themselves.

However, according to The College Board, an independent research organization that tracks college costs, close to $68 billion in financial aid was awarded to families of all income levels in 1999. Nearly 60 percent of full-time students receive at least a partial award, and at a four-year private colleges and universities, more than 75 percent of students receive some form of financial aid.

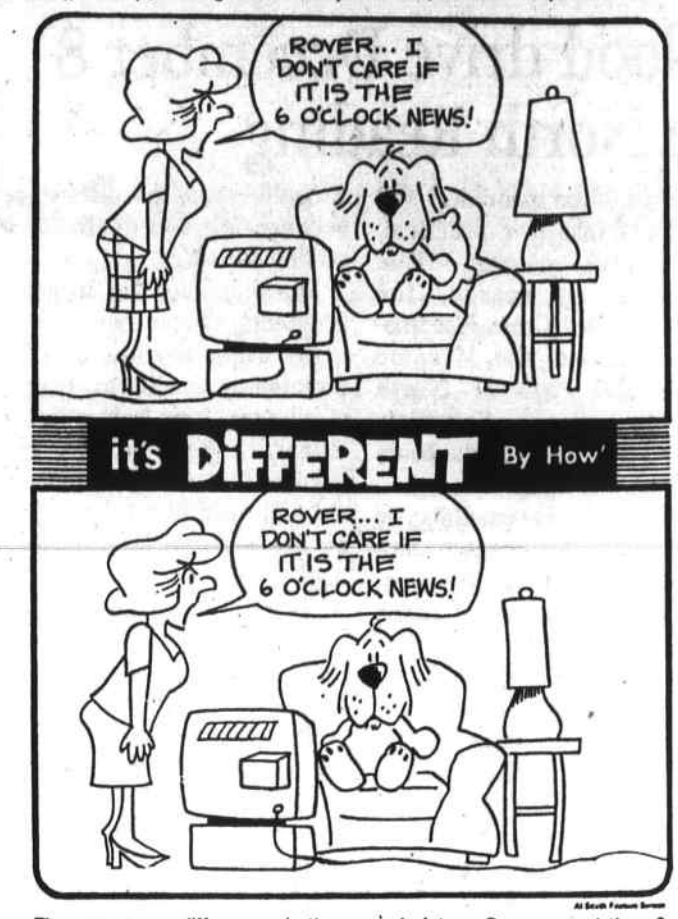
Therefore, you certainly shouldn't rule out financial aid, but your best bet may be to plan on paying fro the larger portion of college costs out of your own pocket.

According to the March 2000 issue of Journal of Financial Service Professionals, it is projected to cost between $60,000 for public university and more than $170,000 for a private university, for children entering four-year college in 2018.

Footing the bill may seem impossible, even more so while you're trying to build a retirement nest egg, or reach other goals, such as buying a larger home or taking a much-needed vacation. But there is hope, and the sooner you start saving an investing, the better off you'll be financially.

A new option to help you finance college is a "qualified tuition program," called a 529 Plan after Internal Revenue Code Section 529. These plans let you set aside anywhere from $100,000 - $250,000 (contributions and investment earnings) for college.

A major benefit of section 529 plans is an expanded gift tax exclusion which allows you to pro-rate your annual $10,000 gift over five years and set aside $100,000 per couple over five years, or $50,000 if you're single. You're not restricted to investing in you own state's plan but can shop among nearly all of the 41 states that offer these programs now or will soon.Under the most recent tax law changes, qualified distributions from 529 plans are tax-free. Some states also allow families who reside in that state to deduct part of, or even the full amount of their contribution from their state income taxes.



There are seven differences in the second picture, Can you spot them ?

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Veterans assistance during troubled times

North Shore Veterans Counseling Services, Inc. located in Beverly, has been in existence for 16 years supplying services to Veterans and their families at no cost. With the events of the past week and the attacks on the United States, North Shore Veterans would like the public to know that we are working towards putting together support groups for Veterans and their families.

In the weeks to come, if the United States goes to war, the agency will be working with these veterans and families to help them cope with stress.

Many Combat Veterans might experience PTSD and this agency has a group that meets every Wednesday Night for those who think they might need some help in this area. This group of Combat Veterans is from all wars and experience the same symptoms. There are certain things that can trigger PTSD and for those family members the signs could be as simple as the smell of diesel fuel, or the sound of a helicopter overhead. Here are some signs and symptoms of PTSD.

Depression, Isolation, Rage, Alienation, Survival Guilt, Anxiety Recreations Sleep Disturbances, Nightmares, Intrusive Thoughts. Examples of these are as follows: Psychic numbing; inability to feel feelings, Helplessness; feeling powerless over ones life or job, Depression; sadness, dejection, hopelessness, intense guilt, Aggression or Suspicion; fighting, fear of crowds, intense suspicion of others, Anxiety/Panic attacks: often intense and unexplainable; sometimes triggered by ordinary things such as aromas or flavors, Nightmares; Usually involving past experiences, often with sweating shaking or screaming.

The symptoms range in severity from mild to devastating, and not everyone has all the symptoms at the same time.

North Shore Veterans stands behind the Veterans of the North Shore Area and they are there to help in any way they can. To contact them call 978-921-4851 or the Executive Director, Lynn M. Moran, can be reached by pager at 978-638-0091, after the office is closed.

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New England Classic Singers concert Dec. 16

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Cost of the event is $15 for adults and $10 for seniors and students.

For ticket information call 978-474-6090.

Rotary seeks professionals for Norway program

Rotarians of District 7910 of Central Massachusetts are seeking five outstanding professionals to visit Norway in My/June 2002 as part of the Group Study Exchange program of the Rotary Foundation.

Through the program, teams of professionals exchange visits between paired areas in different countries. The exchange involves a 30-day visit from May 6 through June

Rotary to S-15



Bay Colony Dog Show this weekend

One of the country's largest AKC dog shows is back at the Bayside for four days of tail wagging fun. The Bay Colony Dog Show will be held from Thursday, December 6 through Sunday, December 9 at the Bayside Exposition Center in Boston. Sponsored by Pedigree brand dog foods, The Bay Colony Cluster Dog Show is a series of four shows, with an average of 3,000 pedigreed pooches competing each day for "Top Dog" honors within their respective groups and breeds.

Over 32,000 people are expected to attend this four-day event to see over 147 breeds of dogs; among them will be such favorites as cocker spaniels, pugs, and golden retrievers as well as newly recognized American Kennel Club (AKC) breeds such as the Neapolitan Mastiff, Anatolian Shepherd, and Novia Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever. Dogs from all over the country will compete daily in conformation classes, a process of elimination that ultimately awards only one dog the "Best in Show" trophy. Different dog clubs from within the Bay Colony Cluster will present each day, so each day's show offers a unique mix of competition, special events, public service booths and holiday shopping.

Dogs will also compete in AKC Obedience Trials on Thursday and Friday which score a dog's ability to perform exercises such as retrieving, jumping and scent discrimination. The public is invited to learn more about this fun activity. On all four days of the show, spectators can watch dogs of all shapes and sizes participate in agility trials run by the Yankee Golden Retriever Club. Agility trials are timed competitive events where dogs race their way through a series of obstacles. There will also be demonstrations by obedience dogs, assistance dogs, and search and rescue dogs who find people on land and under water using their advanced sense of smell.

The Bay Colony Dog Spectacular will run from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, December 6 through Sunday, December 9, at the Bayside Exposition Center (exit 15 off the Southeast Expressway, Route 93 south). Admission is $10 for adults and seniors and $5 for children. Parking is $10 and tickets are available at the door. For more information and ring schedules, call the bay Colony Cluster Dog Show event line at 617-556-7747. Sorry, the public is not permitted to bring their dogs to the dog show. The Bayside Expo is handicapped accessible.

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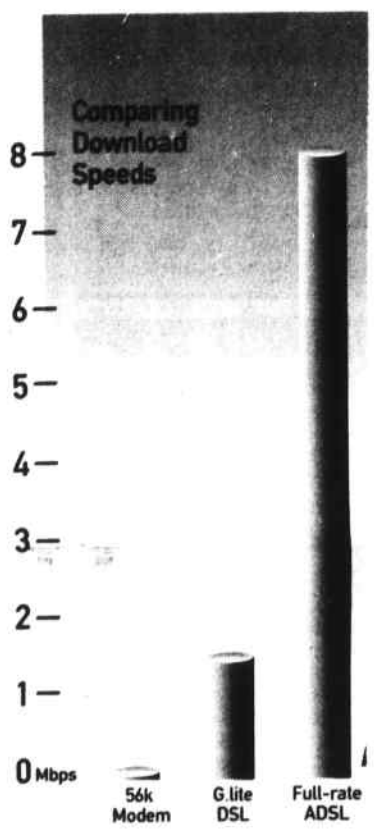
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With DSL (Digital Subscriber Line) service, your computer is always connected to the Internet via the service provider. That means no dialing, no waiting. Better yet, DSL, data-transfer rates are up to 140 times faster than those of state-of-the-art 56k analog modems. With DSL, service you'll be able to surf the Web and download music, photos and other large data files with blazing speed. DSL also enables computers to receive broadcast-quality video and handle bi-directional video-conferencing applications.

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Movie Reviews

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"Behind Enemy Lines" unexciting

MOVIE: "BEHIND ENEMY LINES"
GRADE: **

Review: Gene Hackman almost saves this paint-by-the-numbers war movie about an American pilot who is lost on the wrong side of the battle lines, and the group determined to bring him back.

Funny man Owen Wilson plays Lt. Chris Burnett, a hot shot navigator with a smart tongue and wit. When his plane is shot down while conducting an overflight of Bosnia (of course, the flight was to be his last before heading home for good), he must endure several days behind enemy lines while being pursued by a Serb assassin whose one desire, it seems, is to kill this lone American pilot.

Hackman plays Admiral Reigart, Burnett's commanding officer, who decides to throw the new rules of engagement out the window and risk his career in an attempt to bring Burnett back alive.

Hackman's character is basically the same person he played in films like 'Uncommon Valor', 'No Way Out', and 'Crimson Tide'. He brings nothing new to the table, but his mere presence in scenes is enough to save many of them. The film is very loud and filled with special effects, and should appeal to the MTV crowd it is aimed at.

SHORTTAKES

MOVIE: "SIDEWALKS OF NEW YORK"
GRADE: **

Review: Writer, director, and co-star Edward Burns brings this look at a group of New Yorkers who continually cross paths and trade romantic partners.

Burns tale, which he reportedly though up while on the set of "Saving Private Ryan", plays like it wants to be a Woody Allen film, though Burns isn't quite able to pull it off. His character, Tommy, is likable enough, as are the others in his little group of friends (the cast includes Heather Graham, Callie Thorne, Stanley Tucci and Dennis Farina. But the main players in this film are constantly running into each other and making connections, which is far to unlikely in a city the size of New York.

One thing Burns did take from his work on 'Ryan' was an understanding of hand-held camera shots, which he puts to good use here. The style allows the viewer to feel they are intimately involved in the scenes, but that's much closer than you would actually want to get to many of these characters.

"HARRY POTTER AND THE SORCERER'S STONE"
GRADE: ***

Review: Director Chris Columbus has managed to bring the lead character and fantasy world created by J.K. Rowling to life in a way that will make faithful fans happy, but may slightly bore anyone who is unfamiliar with the popular book series.

The 'Harry Potter' series is a money-making machine, with fans located throughout the world. Those that have read the book this film is based on will know exactly what is going to happen next because the film is so faithful, which also means that if the series hasn't already grabbed you and made you a fan, then the film probably won't either.

Daniel Radcliffe, who plays Harry, is a dead ringer for the illustrations of the hero that appear in the books , but he has a bit to learn about acting. Robbie Coltrane as groundskeeper Hagrid and Alan Rickman as Harry's faculty nemesis, Professor Snape, are among the adult standouts in the film. The length, at 152 minutes, can also be a bit of a problem for younger children.

MOVIE: "DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE"
GRADE: **

Review: This movie is like the story of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde - the first half is very good, while the second half is as bad as it gets.

John Travolta plays Frank Morrison, a man who is sad at the choices he has made in his life and what's become of it, because he has lost his family through divorce, though he stays close to his 12-year-old son Danny. He tries to make the best of the situation, to the point that he attends his ex-wife's wedding to a man played by Vince Vaughn.

Danny begins to see a side of his new stepdad that no one else sees, including a violent incident where he claims to have seen him kill a man and incinerate his body at the brick factory he owns. He tries to tell people about it, but no one except his Dad will believe his story. Travolta's character begins a quest to protect his son and ex-wife, and the movie begins its downward spiral into silliness, which is capped off with a ridiculous fight where there just happens to be a bunch of different weapons laying around.

DSL

From S-9

ing. In fact, a single pair of phone wires can carry voice and data transmissions simultaneously - you can talk on the phone and surf the Web at the same time on the same line. DSL works by splitting the phone line into two frequency ranges; frequencies below 4kHz are reserved for voice, and those above that for data.

"Over a single, ordinary phone line, DSL can allow users to talk on the phone and browse the vast resources of the Internet," says Bill Rodey, vice chairman and treasurer of the DSL Forum, an industry group formed to disseminate information and promote the technology. "More important, DSL has vast potential for virtually everyone who connects to the Internet. It brings higher access speeds, lower costs and is now broadly available to consumers, " says Rodey.

Provided that you have a phone line and a computer, all you need to get DSL, service at your home or office is to contact a DSL provider. Most phone companies that provide Internet service now offer DSL, as do other Internet service providers.

One proviso: You home's internal telephone wiring must be adequate to handle the increased speed. If your home phone lines are not Category 5 cable or better, consider upgrading them to get the most from your DSL service.

The DSL provider will arrange a service call to install a DSL modem and in some cases, a filter on the phone line to separate voice from data. There may be a one-time charge for the DSL modem, although some service providers offer them at reduced rates or free to long-term subscribers. Increasingly consumers will be able to purchase and install a DSL modem themselves, without a service call from the provider. Monthly fees for DSL vary with the provider and level of service, and are somewhat higher than for conventional Internet access, but generally are not prohibitive.

Not all DSL services are created equal. To begin with, there are actually several different types of DSL that perform in different ways, each meant for different types of uses and applications.

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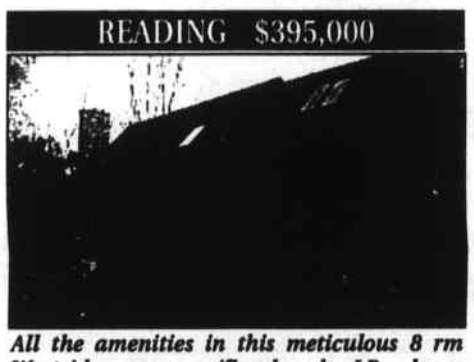


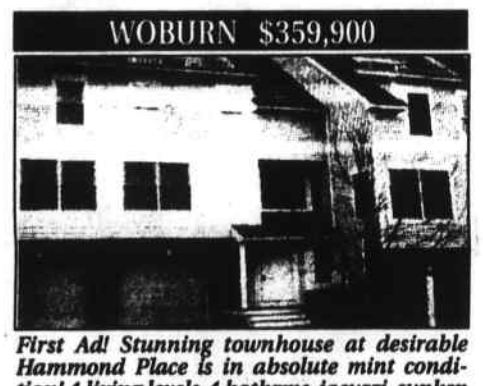
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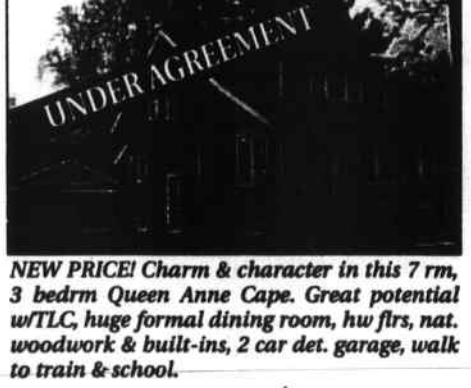
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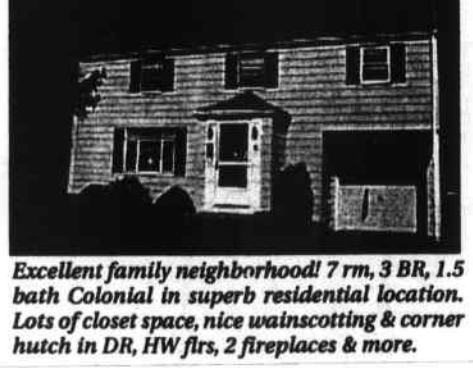

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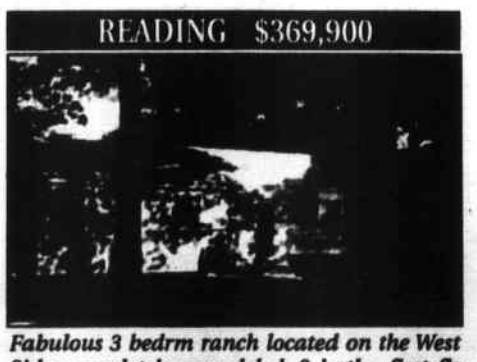
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12 HALLMARK GDNS U:12-3 purchased by Shailesh Patel from Gary Ruping for $161,900.
8 TINKHAM AVE purchased by Prakash Khot and Archana Natekar for $464,500.
59 VILLAGEWOOD DR U:59 purchased by Stephen and Susan Pooley from Charlotte Puopolo for $400,000
128 WINN ST purchased by Jean Gallant and John Blenkhorn from Linda Lee and Evelyn Bustead for $150,000
128 WINN ST purchased by John Blenkhorn from Jean Gallant for $75,000.

-LYNNFIELD-

Median Price: $362,500.

3 KIMBERLY TERR purchased by Jeffrey Carroll and Paula Farese from Salvatore and Doris Gesamondo for $500,000
5 PYBURN RD purchased by Brian Nolan and Robert Calla from Melanson Chester R Est and Beverly Sullivan for $210,000
150 WALNUT ST purchased by Richard and Jennifer Guarino from Eric and Colleen Spagnoli for $381,000.

-NORTH READING-

Median Price: $296,250.

56 MOUNT VERNON ST purchased by Scott and Kate MacCausland from Melvin and Kristine Peck for $290,000.

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97 COUNTY RD purchased by John and Camille Pipitone from Michael Foley for $344,000.
134 LOWELL ST purchased by Karsten and Jacqueline Gronert from John and Camille Pipitone for $300,000.
124 PEARL ST purchased by Priscilla White and Barbara Myles from George White, Tr for Pearl St RT for $100,000
128 PROSPECT ST purchased by Peter and Alison Ockerbloom from Jacques Shaw for $429,000.
541 SUMMER AVE purchased by Francine Cappello from Karen Schaitel and Winona Vaughn for $270,000.
4 SUMMIT TER U:305 purchased by George and Catherine Manzelli from Charles and Linda Collings for $240,000.
15 TEMPLE ST purchased by Dianne Kennedy from Keith and Stephanie Walsh for $285,000.
70 WHITTIER RD purchased by Joseph and Jennifer Mazzei from Stanley and Diane Boyd for $322,500.
30 WILLOW ST purchased by Karen Shaughnessy from Thomas Coleman and Linda Krechko for $295,000.

-STONEHAM-

Median Price $295,000.

24 ALDEN AVE purchased by Luciano and Cecelia Barraza from William and Lucy Bastianelli for $527,500.
24 FAIRVIEW RD purchased by Daniel and Cara O'Neill from Daniel and Koleen Gurry for $298,000.
64 MAIN ST U:33B purchased by Russell and Carol Fleming from Alice Fleming for $100,500.
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100 APACHE WAY U:100 purchased by John Lucas from Brian and Laura Wilkinson for $182,000.
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2 BAY ST purchased by David Ellis from Barbara McManus for $275,000.
19 EUNICE CIR purchased by Brett and Stacey Albren from John and Kimberley Yirak for $340,000.
28 MOREL CIR purchased by Steven and Darci Burns from Randal and Jill Burridge for $350,000.
410 SALEM ST U:208 purchased by Michelle Lespasio from HP Wakefield Dev LLC for $257,000.

-WILMINGTON-

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9 BRIARWOOD LN purchased by John and Heather Poduska from Kenneth and Judy Stanigar for $925,000.
83 CHURCH ST U:15 purchased by Richard and Rosalie Mucci from Jaacov and Marja Behar for $485,000.
3 MCCALL RD purchased by Vincent and Donna Patalano from Patricia Gullion for $1,300,000.
35 OAK ST purchased by Don and Nora Weingust from John and Marguerite Mcgee for $427,500.
8 ROBINSON PARK purchased by Gary and Jinny Pace from Ruth Pepper for $1,224,000.
200 SWANTON ST U:212 purchased by Abel Quiros from Bazil Jackson for $137,500.
28 SYMMES RD purchased by William Mitchell and Brooke Anne Hager from Jeffrey Weldon and Jennifer Jester for $705,000.

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Median Price: $266,000.

72-74 MAIN ST purchased by Stephen Griecci from Joseph and Erika Griecci for $106,600.

Transfers to S-12

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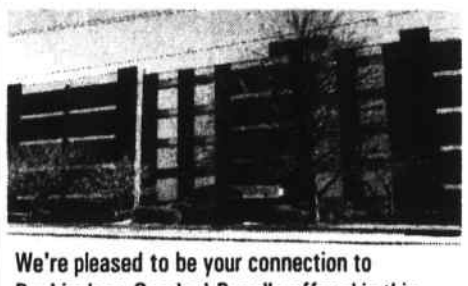
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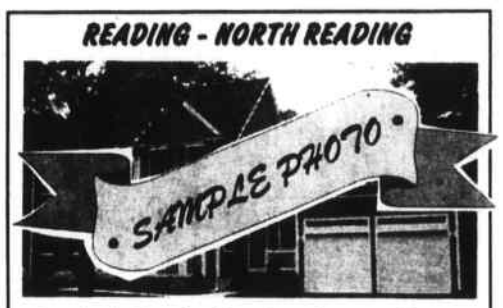
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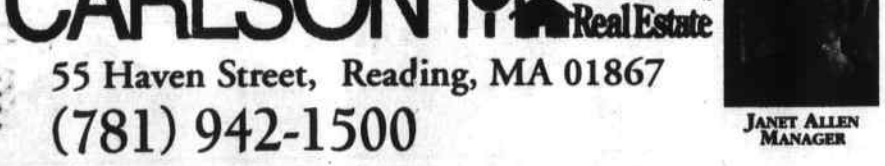


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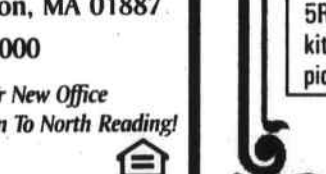
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HOME OF THE WEEK ~ READING



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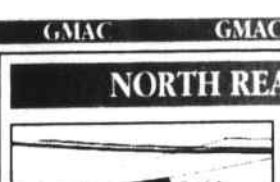
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Diana Kaine 4th anniversary

Colonial Manor Realty, its owners Bobbie Botticelli and Rick Nazzaro, and associates wish to congratulate Diana Kaine on her four-year anniversary with the company.



DIANA KAINE

A valuable addition to the Colonial Manor Realty team, Diana's dedication to giving her customers and clients the unsurpassed service they deserve has helped her earn a solid reputation in the Real Estate community.

A member of the Middlesex Association of Realtors, the Massachusetts Association of Realtors, the National Association of Realtors, Diane works diligently to keep abreast of the ever-changing laws and regulations in Real estate.

Should you have any questions regarding Real Estate, please give Diana a call at 781-944-6300 or 978-664-5857. She is ready and well prepared to help you with all your Real Estate needs.

Be sure to select floor underlayment carefully

Whether you choose hardwood, laminate, vinyl, ceramic tile or carpeting, a beautiful floor treatment is a key component in the overall design appeal of any room. But Beauty goes only skin deep. The real key to beautiful long-lasting floors lies beneath the surface.

While underlayments may not be glamorous, they definitely deserve close attention. Just like the padding installed under a carpet, the quality of the underlayment plays a major role in how well your floor will look and how long it will perform.

So if you tackle a construction or remodeling project this season, either on your own or with a builder or contractor, make sure that the underlayment you select will stand the test of time. Be especially carefully when installing the underlayment and floor finish areas of the home that are subject to moisture penetration, such as kitchens, entry foyers and baths.

Many builders and contractors use OSB (oriented strand board), plywood or lauan products as floor underlayments. However, these traditional products have limitations, especially when compared to advanced new alternatives such as FIBEROCK Brand Underlayment - AQUA-TOUGH from United States Gypsum Company. This unique moisture-resistant flooring underlayment is made from 100 percent recycled gypsum and cellulose. It can be used in both wet and dry areas of the home, and offers an environment friendly alternative to products made from wood harvested in old-growth forests.

If you know that carpet will be installed throughout your home, OSB is suitable from a performance standpoint. However, if it is used under vinyl, OSB's rough surface may eventually show through. To remedy this situation, many contractors and builders install a 1/4 inch board of sanded lauan before laying down the vinyl.

A better alternative is FIBEROCK underlayment, which delivers up to 60 percent more indentation resistance than traditional products, while ensuring a smooth, flat surface. Additionally, the panels don't contain resins, adhesives, solvents or dyes that can stain floor-covering materials.

Another issue is with OSB, as well as other wood-based products, is the behavior of the the underlayment when exposed to moisture, some wood-based panels can swell and warp. Even simple mopping may eventually allow enough moisture to seep under floors around poorly sealed areas such as doorways and floor edges, causing deterioration of the adhesive and underlayment damage.

To avoid these problems, a water resistant underlayment should be used from the start. FIBEROCK panels offer an ideal solution because their proprietary technology provides water resistance throughout the entire panel.

The structural integrity of an underlayment is vital to the performance of the floor covering. This is especially true for floor coverings that are sensitive to movement, such as ceramic tile systems. Swelling and warping of the underlayment can eventually lead to debonding or cracking of individual tiles.

Again, the best solution is to select a structurally superior alternative. The slightly higher initial cost will pay for itself over time, and your floors will stay looking brand new for years.

For more information about FIBEROCK Brand Underlayment - AQUA-TOUGH, contact United States Gypsum Company, 125 S. Franklin St., Chicago, IL 60606-4678, call 1-800-USG-4YOU or visit the company's Web site at www.usg.com.

From moisture

Protect your ceramic tile

From back splashes to steam showers, murals to mosaics, ceramic tile is becoming increasingly popular and more affordable, making it an ideal option in both new construction and remodeling projects. As a result, overall residential ceramic tile use has grown dramatically in recent years. Surprisingly, however, prices have dropped due to increased production capacity and greater competition among manufacturers.

The widespread use of ceramic tile around the home is driving another key trend - greater focus on protecting the tile with a high-performance substrate (backing material) that will keep the tile looking good and lasting longer than ever before. USG's DUROCK Brand Cement Board ensures that prolonged exposure to moisture won't harm the surface behind or underneath the tile and jeopardize the homeowners investment.

Like many other household amenities, ceramic tile is ultimately only as good as the quality of its installation. Improperly installed tile can crack, loosen, pop up or fall out. Because the substrate also affects tile's durability DUROCK Cement Board, the contractor preferred tile backer - is strongly recommended in areas such as kitchens, bathrooms and entry foyers that are exposed directly to water.

Bathrooms remain one of the most popular choices for tile. In fact, surveys indicated that about one-third of all homeowners are planning a bathroom remodeling project. Moreover, the appearance and quality of a home's bathroom rank among the top five most important attributes to a new home buyer, according to the National Association of Home Builders.

Tile is a logical choice for many bathroom surfaces because it is designed to withstand repeated and constant exposure to moisture. As bathrooms become larger and gain luxurious amenities, tile is being used increasingly on the walls and floors of oversized shower and bathtub areas, as well as around whirlpools, bidets, and high-end designer sinks and cabinetry.

Tile is also being used more often in kitchens. Designers are calling for extra countertop, back splash and kitchen island space - all topped with tile.

These tile applications make the choice of a substrate panel an increasingly important consideration. Commonly used tile substrates include cement board panels, water-resistant gypsum board and plywood. Poured mortar also is used to lay tile, particularly for floors, but it can be costly and labor-intensive.

Among these choices, cement board is one of the most versatile, reliable and increasingly popular substrates for high moisture areas of the home.

"Water always wins," said Jim Reicherts product manager with USG Corporation, a leading manufacturer of building products. "Sooner or later moisture will find a way to seep through even the highest-quality tile installation

Since DUROCK Cement Board is made from cement, it is water durable. Should water seep through the grout, the cement board won't buckle, swell or expand.

Easy to install in most bath and shower enclosures, the product is available at home centers, building material dealers and tile outlets. It is offered in standard 32 and 36 inch-by-5 foot panel sizes with several thicknesses.

The standard 1/2 inch panels and thicker 5/8 inch panels are suitable for use on floors, walls and countertops, while thinner 5/16 inch panels are designed for use on floors and countertops. The reduced thickness helps minimize level variations where the tiled surface abuts wood, carpeting and other surfaces.

Tile to S-14

Transfers from S-11

408-416 MAIN ST purchased by James Damico, Tr for Felicia RT from Judith Walsh, Tr for 4-12 RT for $385,000.

40 PARKER ST purchased by Nicole and Mark Wilson from Barbara Lang for $265,000.

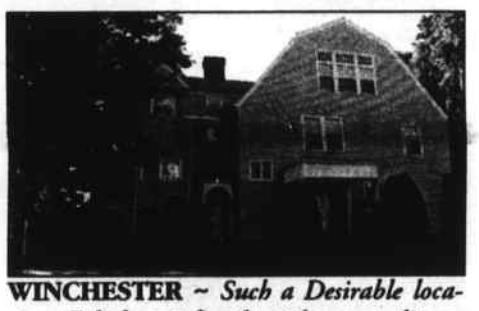
62 PROSPECT ST purchased by Stephen and Michelle Chumsae from Paul and Barrett Giles for $275,000.

66 SALEM ST purchased by Eliza Perez from Karen Gibson and Karen Olson for $220,000.

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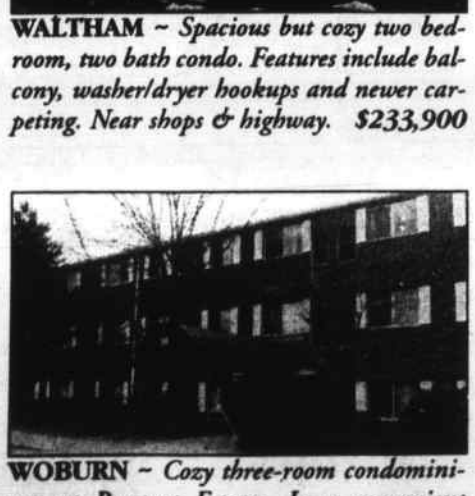
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HOME OF THE WEEK WAKEFIELD



New Price! This charming 7 room, 3 bedroom Colonial located on Wakefield's desirable West side has lots to offer including walk-up attic, large level lot and walking distance to trains, Lake, downtown and playground. **$299,900**

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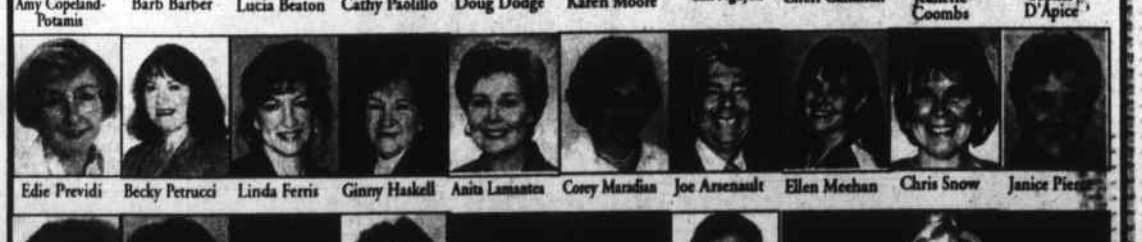


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Correct tools conquer common household jobs

Whether you rent or own your home, there are times when it pays to handle a household repair yourself. Great Neck Saw Manufacturers, who has been making tools since 1919, offers tips on using the right tools for the most common home-repair jobs.

The Basics - Put together a basic tool kit, consisting of a hammer and nails, a selection of screw-drivers and screws, locking pliers, a putty knife and utility knife.

Start Small - Get yourself ready for the big jobs by tackling the more common light repairs first. For example, a running toilet.

Running toilets most often occur when water gets trapped inside the float-ball. Unscrew the ball from its fixture inside the tank, using the appropriate sized screwdriver. Replace the faulty ball with a new one, which can be found at nearly any hardware store for less than three dollars.

When there is a screw loose - It is important to make sure that your screwdriver fits the slot or star of the screw snugly. Screws are easily damaged when the wrong size screwdriver is used, and then it is almost impossible to remove a screw without resorting to some special tool. It is more economical to keep an assortment of screwdrivers handy. Great Neck offers several economy sets of popular sized screwdrivers.

Patching things up - Whether there is damage done by a doorknob, furniture movers, or a teenager's foot, wallboard is easy to repair. Using a dry wall saw or utility knife, cut out the square off damaged section.



With a hammer, nails, and some scrap wood, you can create a base to hold the replacement piece. Insert two pieces of wood into the top and bottom of the hole, align the boards so that they run across the hole, and nail into place. Cut out a new piece of drywall and nail over the boards. Cover the seams with self-adhesive wallboard tape and apply a few coats of spackle using your putty knife. When the spackle dries, sand over the area and repaint.

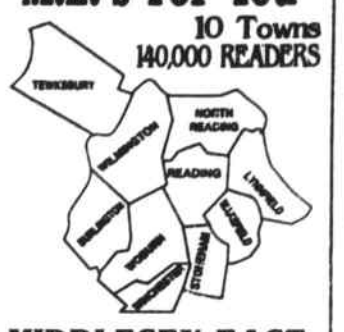
Avoid Window Pains - You can usually improve the movement of a stubborn window by widening the channels the sash slides in. All you need is a hammer and a small block of wood. Place the block against one side of the window channel and give it a few taps with the hammer. Do both sides of the channel until the window slides up and own with ease.

Depending on your strength, a 13 or 16 ounce curved claw hammer is most likely all you will need for your basic tool kit. Whatever your needs, you will find what you are looking for from Great Neck's complete set of professional and consumer grade hammer.

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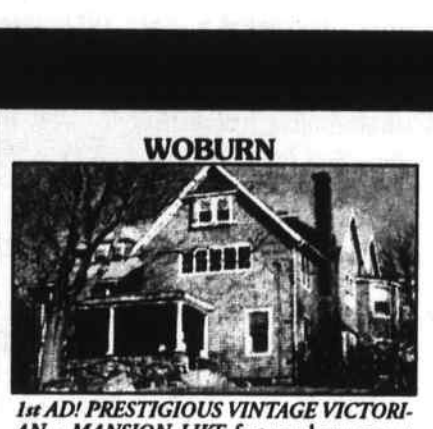
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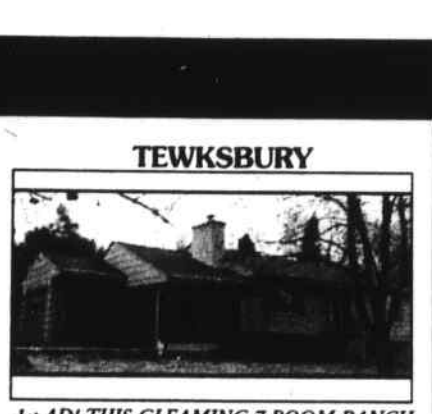
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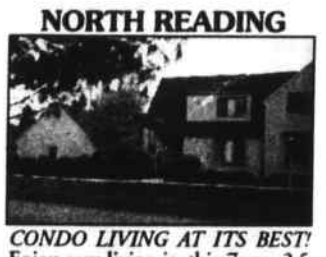
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NORTH READING



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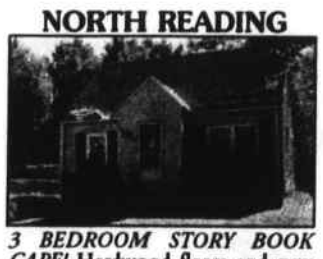
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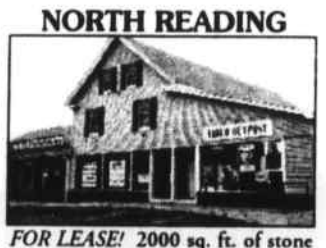
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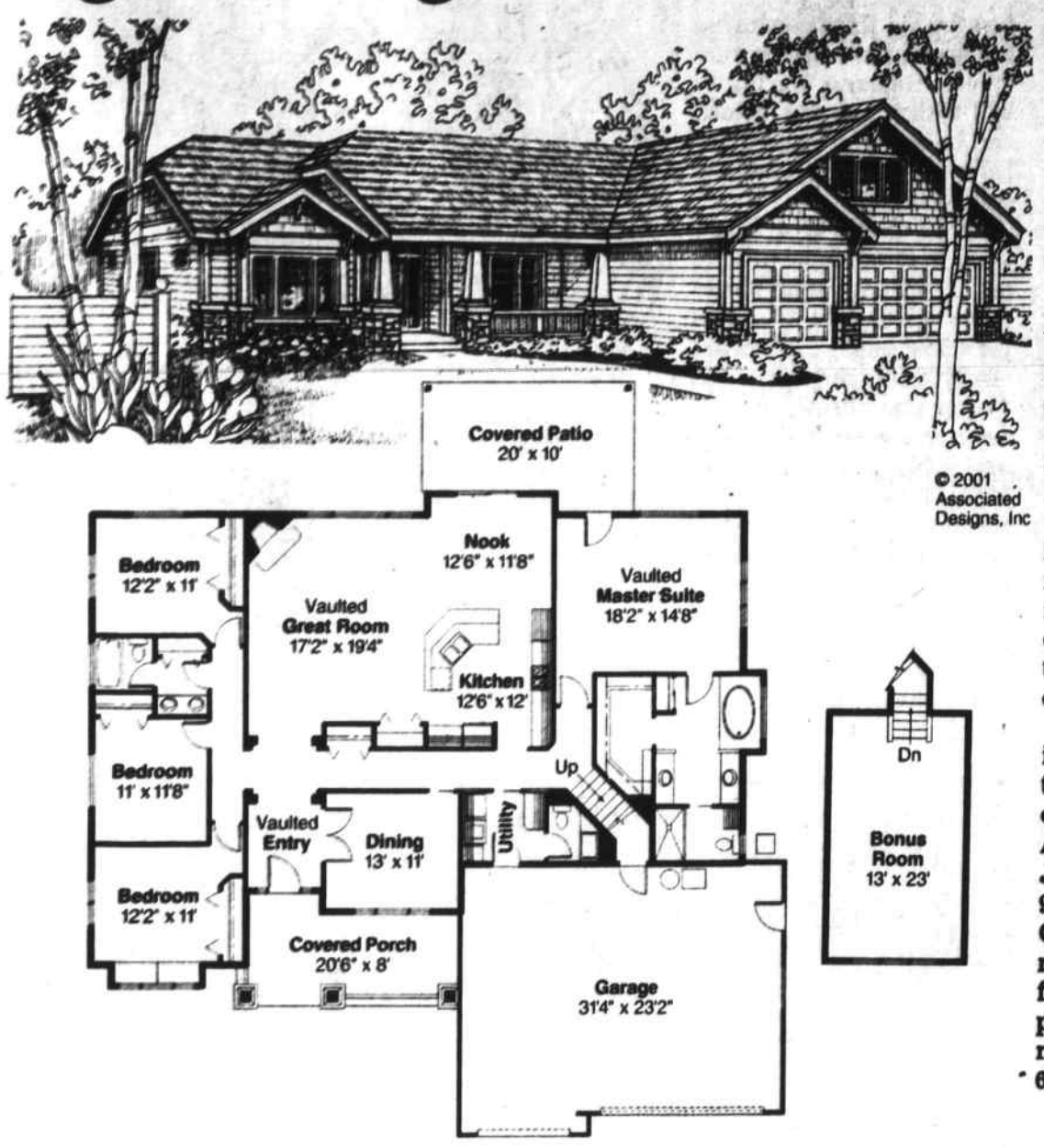
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In the Grayson, craftsman styling is seen in the tapered columns fronting the deep covered porch, river rock wainscoting and column supports, decorative room supports, and trademark windows, with multiple upper panes over a large single pane.

The entry is vaulted, and light spills in through sidelights and a transom window. Double doors on the right open into a dining room that can be fully enclosed. Dining rooms are popular again. Ten years ago, many people viewed them as wasted space.

The bright and spacious great room, directly ahead of the entry, is open to the kitchen. Most home buyers now like this configuration better than the separate parlor and family room of the past. The room's vaulted ceiling slopes down to a richly glassed rear wall, where a gas fireplace nestles in the corner. More light washes in through skylights.

The kitchen and nook are off to the right, separated only by an angled work island with a raised eating counter. From the kitchen sink you can oversee the great room, nook, patio, and rear yard.

Laundry appliances are nearby, in a passthrough utility room that connects to the garage. The half bath with utility sink is convenient for washing up. A stairway next to the bathroom leads to a large bonus room over the garage.

Display shelves rim the highest wall of the vaulted master suite, which is well away from the secondary bedrooms - now the preferred location. Some 36% of new homes now have four bedrooms, up from 28% in 1991, despite an average family size of 2.6 per household. Many bedrooms are now home offices, media rooms, and so on.

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"Once you turn the heat on, the air in your home gets thirsty and sucks moisture out of your body, causing symptoms like dry itchy skin, a sore throat and chapped lips," McCarthy said.

Catherine Koester used to dread the effects of heated indoor air. each winter the Laurel, Maryland woman says she went through a great deal of skin lotion to try to ease her parched skin.

"I had such a problem, I was literally scratching my legs raw," she said. "My skin was flaking off and it was not a pretty sight."

In Koester's case, relief arrived in the form of a whole-house humidifier she had installed in the ductwork of her heating system.

"A friend recommended the humidifier, so I checked into it," Koester said. "I thought it might offer some relief, and it has. Once the humidifier was installed and ran for several days, I started to feel more comfortable. My legs stopped itching and flaking. It was a wonderful feeling."

Koester also credits proper humidification for helping to improve her chronic sinus problems.

"The congestion and headaches I had were greatly diminished after the humidifier wa installed," she said.

A whole-house humidifier provides proper humidity to the entire home, not just one room, according to McCarthy.

"When selecting a whole-house humidifier, we recommend looking for an automatic model with a built-in computer to continuously measure, control and deliver the optimum amount of indoor humidity - in the range of 35 to 50 percent," McCarthy said. "You never have to worry about adjusting it because the automatic technology produces the right amount of humidity all the time."

McCarthy also recommends selecting an evaporative-type model that distributes moisture as pure water vapor, with no droplets or mists that can carry impurities, like minerals or bacteria.

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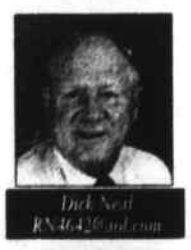
Gerry is a graduate of Framingham State College and holds a BA in Sociology. "It is a pleasure to welcome Gerry to the Woburn Sales Office. His previous work positions him well to service customers and clients in the area," stated Suffredini

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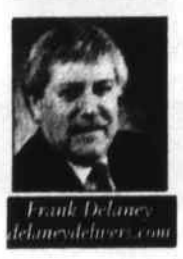

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program in both Tewksbury and Wilmington. She lives in Tewksbury with her husband and two children. Her son entered kindergarten and is enrolled in Global Child.

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Rotary From S-9

5, 2002, during which time the team members will share personal knowledge of their own country and experience the customs, vocations and lifestyles of Norway.

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The Rotary Foundation provides a round-trip air ticket, and Rotarians in Norway will provide meals, lodging and group travel in their district. Team members only pay for personal and incidental expenses.

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For an application, please contact Sonia Shah, at 70 King St., Littleton, MA 01460, by phone at 978 486-3244 or via email at sonialee-01460@yahoo.com.

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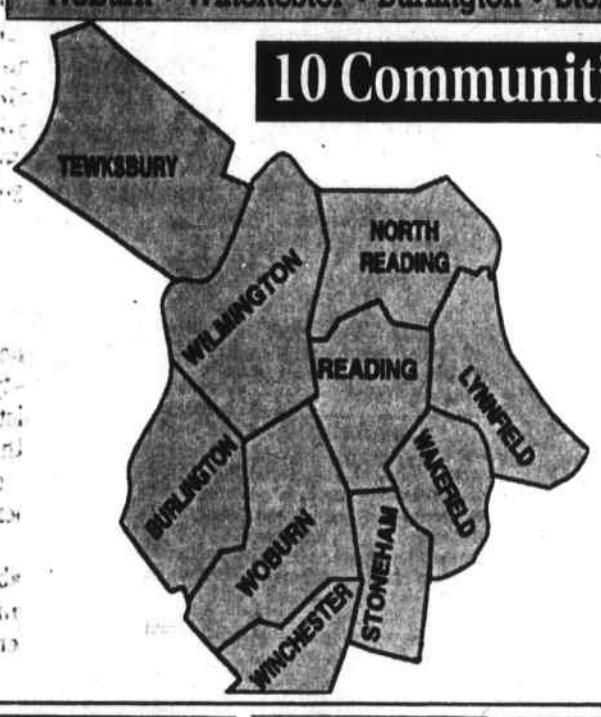
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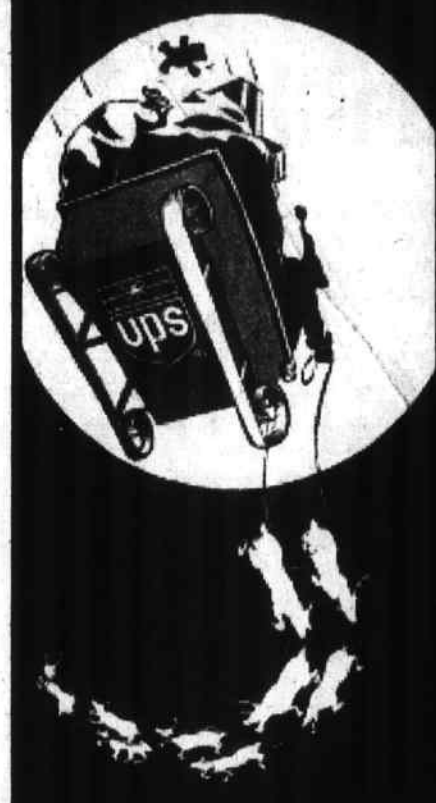
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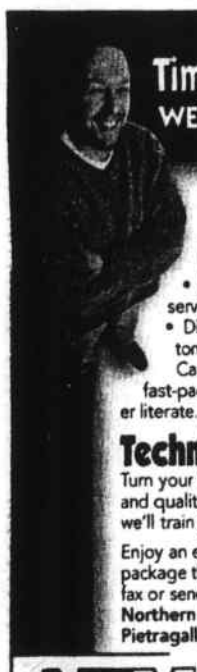
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RMLD accused of "extravagant" spending sprees

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - Neckties and nice hotels. The finest in food and drink. Limo rides, flower deliveries and tickets to the Blue Man Group, the movies and shows in Las Vegas. Trips to golf courses, Disney Land and resorts in Nevada and New Mexico.

On Monday, December 10, the Office of Acting Inspector General Greg Sullivan released a 23-page, detailed document alleging that the general manager and the staff at the Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) bought all of these "luxuries" with a credit card for which the electric company's rate payers have "footed the bill." According to Inspector General Sullivan, the amount of these and other such expenditures totals "tens of thousands of dollars."

See page 8 for the complete document

The inspector general, who has based his report on his findings of money spent between 1998 and 2000, calls all such purchases "lavish." Furthermore, he maintains that rate payers in Wilmington, Reading, North Reading and Lynnfield would be "distressed to know that their electric bills are financing" the "extravagant spending sprees" of the staff at RMLD.

Leonard Rucker, the General

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LESS THAN TWO WEEKS TO GO . . . As busy as he is these last few weeks before December 25, Santa Claus still has time for the kids who are eagerly awaiting his arrival at their homes on the night before Christmas. On Monday, December 10, he dropped by the Town Hall for a visit with good little girls and boys. It was there that he met Billerica youngster Samantha MacInnis, whose grandmother, who lives here in Wilmington, could no doubt tell Mr. Claus herself what a good girl Samantha has been this year.
(Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Selectmen bid farewell to Altman

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - The Board of Selectmen met for the final time this year on Monday, December 10, and its meeting was a fairly quick one made memorable by a fond farewell.

Former Town Counsel Alan Altman, who retired this past summer after serving Wilmington and handling its legal matters for the past 35 years, attended the meeting and reflected with selectmen on a career that he called the "thrill of a lifetime." Selectmen Chairman Robert Cain, joined by his fellow board members and Town Manager Michael Caira, thanked Altman for his service and presented him with gifts of appreciation that included a glass apple and a wooden clock.

"You kept us out of a lot of trouble," Chairman Cain told Altman. "We hope that you enjoy your retirement."

The other selectmen on the board seconded such sentiments. Selectmen Scott Garrant and George Hooper thanked Altman for his service and wished him luck.

Selectman Robert Palmer told Altman that working with him had been a "pleasure," while Selectman Michael McCoy recognized the former town counsel as "an outstanding public servant and an outstanding human being."

Town Manager Caira, who kidded that Altman as legal counsel had been a "thorn in his side" at points throughout their professional time together, had the highest praise for the retired public servant.

"It's not easy to be expected to be on your toes for 35 years," Caira told Altman, "but you have done it with charm, grace and dignity."

Caira told Altman that his legacy in Wilmington is cemented by the fact that the former town counsel had always acted in the best interest of Wilmington.

"I can think of many cases in which you saved the town a lot of money," Caira said. "You're advice has always been good and solid."

Town Counsel Michael Newhouse, who also attended the meeting and sat alongside his predecessor, wished Altman luck and thanked him for his assistance during the transition period during the past couple of months.

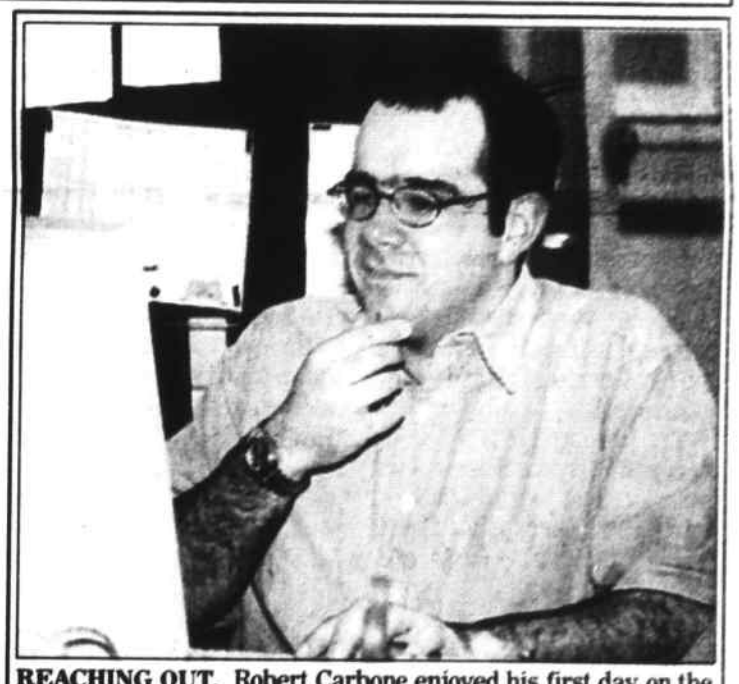
Altman reminisced about his days as a youngster making his way through the Wilmington School System and thanked the current Board of Selectmen and the selectmen of previous years for their support.

"It has been an extreme pleasure," Altman said of his career. "Wilmington has always been near and dear to my heart."

Also at the selectmen meeting . . .

• A PROPOSAL BY SELECTMAN MCCOY. Under the category of "new business," Selectman McCoy asked his fellow selectmen for their support in drafting a ballot question for next year's election in which a five-year moratorium would be placed on further development throughout the community. McCoy's request was fueled by his concern that Wilmington will "max" out its remaining number of approximately 1,200 buildable lots in less than ten years if development in town continues at the rate that it has

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REACHING OUT. Robert Carbone enjoyed his first day on the job at Wilmington Community Television.
(Maureen Lamoureux photo)

The Town Crier looks back . . .

Five days after Pearl Harbor, the Neilsons wed

By LARZ F. NEILSON

WILMINGTON - Sixty years ago, the world was going crazy.

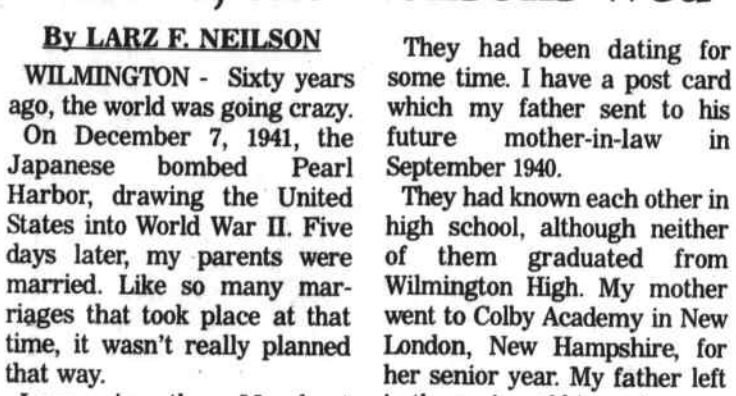
On December 7, 1941, the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, drawing the United States into World War II. Five days later, my parents were married. Like so many marriages that took place at that time, it wasn't really planned that way.

Larz, in the Merchant Marine, was chief mate on a freighter, the SS Carolinian. The ship was in port in Wilmington, N.C. My mother, Elizabeth Norton, lived with her parents. She worked at New England Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Boston. She was the first woman to pass the actuarial exams at that firm.

They had been dating for some time. I have a post card which my father sent to his future mother-in-law in September 1940.

They had known each other in high school, although neither of them graduated from Wilmington High. My mother went to Colby Academy in New London, New Hampshire, for her senior year. My father left in the spring of his senior year to attend Massachusetts Nautical School at Buzzards Bay. After graduating from the maritime academy, my father worked his way up in the Merchant Marine. Third mate, second mate, first mate. This was the Great Depression, and most people considered them-

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WEDDING DAY. Sixty years ago Elizabeth Norton and Larz Neilson were married in her parent's home on High Street. Five days after the attack on Pearl Harbor, they, like many, tied the knot in an impromptu fashion, before he went off to war.

Former Coombs Furniture property

Alternative subdivision plan an "improvement"

By CHARLOTTE COOPER

WILMINGTON - By the time that the Conservation Commission wrapped up its meeting on Wednesday, December 5, Car Mart on Main Street was a step closer to constructing a new building and the property on Middlesex Avenue that was formerly occupied by Coombs Furniture was approved for six new homes. In summary:

• Representatives of CAR MART, which, specifically, is located at 275 Main Street, attended the commission meeting and discussed their proposal that a new building, which would encompass 12,482 square feet, be allowed to be built near an existing showroom on the property. As part of the construction, the parking lot at Car Mart would be re-configured to include a new driveway.

To date, the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals have approved the construction.

Brian Milisci, a representative of Whitman & Bingham, Incorporated, an engineering and surveying firm from Leominster, Massachusetts, told the commission that the construction of the new building and the installation of related utilities would take place outside the buffer zone. Mr. Milisci added that the construction plans would call for the removal of two existing islands and an area of pavement, in order to create the new singular driveway, additional parking, and certain landscaping improvements on the property that appears along Route 38.

According to a memo to the Conservation Commission from Town Engineer Donald N. Onusseit, the Car Mart proper-

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Robert Carbone

Meet WCTV's new Youth Outreach Coordinator

By STACEY E. STEVENS

WILMINGTON - If you've had occasion to visit Wilmington Community Television (WCTV) at any time during the past three weeks, then chances are that you've noticed a fresh, new, smiling face behind the desk. That face belongs to Wilmington's own Robert M. Carbone, WCTV's new Youth Outreach Coordinator.

Robert first became interested in working in the television industry while taking an animation and video class during his senior year at Wilmington High School.

"I've always been the type of person who has needed a creative outlet, be it drawing, painting, photography, or music," says Robert. "The class was a lot of fun, and the animation part especially appealed to me. A few of my friends and I decided to try to put together a series on skateboarding. Although we managed to get a few episodes completed, it never really got off the ground beyond that. Like typical teenagers, we were interested in far too many things to stick with just one thing for the long term."

Robert graduated from Wilmington High School in 1992 and went on to major first in illustration, at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth. After deciding to switch his major to photography, he transferred to the Art Institute of Boston, where he received his Bachelor of Fine Arts in 1998. After working for a while as a freelance photographer, Pat Gordon, a friend from UMass Dartmouth, rec-

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TOURING CLAPP'S MILL. On the chilly morning of Saturday, December 8, the Wilmington Open Space and Recreation Committee led residents along a walk through the Clapp's Mill region in the southwestern part of town. Along for the hike were, from left to right in the front row, Dylan, Suzanne, Meghan and Ian Sullivan and Planning Board Chairman Kevin Brander. Behind them, from left to right, were Brion Berghaus, Selectman Scott Garrant and Assistant Director of Planning and Conservation John Keeley. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Multi-Chamber Business Card Exchange

WILMINGTON - Looking for a way to network with other businesses in the area? Mark your calendars, gather your business cards, company information and brochures, and attend the next Multi-Chamber Business Card Exchange. This Multi-Chamber event is being hosted by the Casa di Fior, located right here in Wilmington.

At least twice a year, area Chamber Executives (ACE) coordinate Multi-Chamber card exchanges that offer our members the opportunity to network with hundreds of members from Chambers such as: Bedford, Billerica, Concord, Lexington, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Reading/North Reading, Stoneham, Wakefield, Waltham, Winchester, and Wilmington. Casa di Fior has generously offered to host the Winter Card Exchange at their beautiful facility located right off I-93, on West Street. We are very excited to have an event at this facility. Display tables will be available for promotional materials on a first-come, first served basis. Door prize donations (valued at over $100) are welcome and those who make a door prize donation will have the opportunity for a "30 second spot" to advertise their business.

The Multi-Chamber Business Card Exchange will take place Tuesday, February 5, 2002, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Casa di Fior, 128 West St., Wilmington. This is a great opportunity to network! If you would like to donate a door prize, receive more information, or make a reservation, please contact the Chamber Office at 978-657-7211. Cost: $10 Chamber members and $15 for non-members.

Wynn School helps build Message of Hope

TEWKSBURY - Eighth graders at the John Wynn Middle School participated in a statewide campaign to build a giant American flag. "United We Stand: A Message of Hope from the Youth of Massachusetts" is asking young people in Massachusetts to come together to create an American flag measuring 65' x 125' comprised of approximately 32,000 individual tiles. Each 6" x 6" tile will be inscribed with a message of hope, peace and support for those who were lost in the September 11th tragedy and for the heroes who continue to work tirelessly to repair the damage done by the acts of terrorism.

About USA

The USA project is a way for local youth to honor those who lost their lives and pay tribute to the heroic rescue and recovery workers. Working with schools from across the Commonwealth, young people will create a visible sign of hope - a "larger-than-life" American flag, made up of individual tiles of fabric inscribed with students' messages of peace, hope, love and support for our country.

Local schools have been mailed USA Kits, which include tiles and information and materials each school needs to complete their section of the flag. It is our hope that penning their message on the tile will provide a much needed channel for young people to communicate their feelings and emotions.

Upon completion, the flag will be displayed in Massachusetts, and will then travel to New York City, Washington D.C., and Shanksville, Pennsylvania as an offering of support and encouragement from the youth of Massachusetts to their fellow Americans.

A citizens coalition of Massachusetts working men and women have come together to form USA in an effort to develop a campaign that enables young people in Massachusetts to share their support with the rest of the country. To date, the following people, organizations, and companies have donated their services to make this effort possible.

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Golden Age Club throwing New Year's Eve party

TEWKSBURY - Tewksbury Golden Age Club will conduct a New Year's Eve party December 31 and tickets are now on sale at the Senior Center daily, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 3 p.m.

We will be having a catered dinner by Jack's of Billerica. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Music will be provided by Party Time Productions; Chris Brunnell D.J.

Golden Age Club members $40 per person. Non-members $45 per person.

Last day of sale will be December 20. This party will be held at the Senior Center. Don't be left out. Tickets are selling fast.

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It's Your Money

by Joyce Brisbois



SMALL-BUSINESS TAX TIPS

Here are some ways small businesses can cut their tax bills:

The new tax law makes a defined benefit pension plan even more attractive than ever, especially for owners more than 20 years older than employees. Older owners can contribute more for themselves than for their employees; next year the maximum annual distribution (the benefit being defined) rises to $160,000.

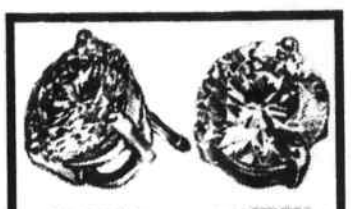
C corporations can get big writeoffs if they donate excess inventory or depreciable business property to charity: cost of the inventory or property plus half the unrealized appreciation.

Though bad debts cannot be written off until they are deemed uncollectible, a company can maximize its deductions by deducting the percentage of the debt that a collection agency will charge, as soon as the receivable is turned over to the agency.

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OPINION

From the Editor's Desk

By Shawn P. Sullivan

The Party's Over

It seems the general manager and some of his staffers at the Reading Municipal Light Department now knows what happens if you get caught with your hands in the cookie jar. You get zapped.

Earlier this week, RMLD General Manager Leonard Rucker was hit like a bolt of lightning by some rather unfortunate news. Acting Inspector General Greg Sullivan, you see, has released a report in which he asserts that RMLD used a credit card to charge tens of thousands of dollars in purchases and stuck rate payers with footing the bill.

Inspector General Sullivan calls the purchases "lavish" and "extravagant" and maintains that rate payers should be shocked that Rucker & Company have been living in "high style" for quite some time.

Rucker denies any wrongdoing on the part of himself and his staff and vows to hand over to the inspector general in-depth information that will prove the validity of every single purchase.

If anything, Rucker should probably wish that he had done all of those things sooner, instead of refusing to let Sullivan interview him while he and his office were conducting their investigation.

If Rucker and his staff did indeed make a number of alarmingly inappropriate purchases with the company's credit card, then the process of correcting such transgressions will play itself out between RMLD, Sullivan, officials in affected towns such as Wilmington, a task force that has been organized by the Reading Board of Selectmen, and, possibly, Attorney General Thomas Riley. If, however, the folks at RMLD did not do anything wrong, then that will come to light as well.

Either way, Rucker owes RMLD rate payers an explanation. When asked by the Town Crier what he would tell RMLD customers who might not be thrilled with the news of no-holds-barred spending sprees at their expense, Rucker said that he would remind them that their electricity rates have not been raised since 1993.

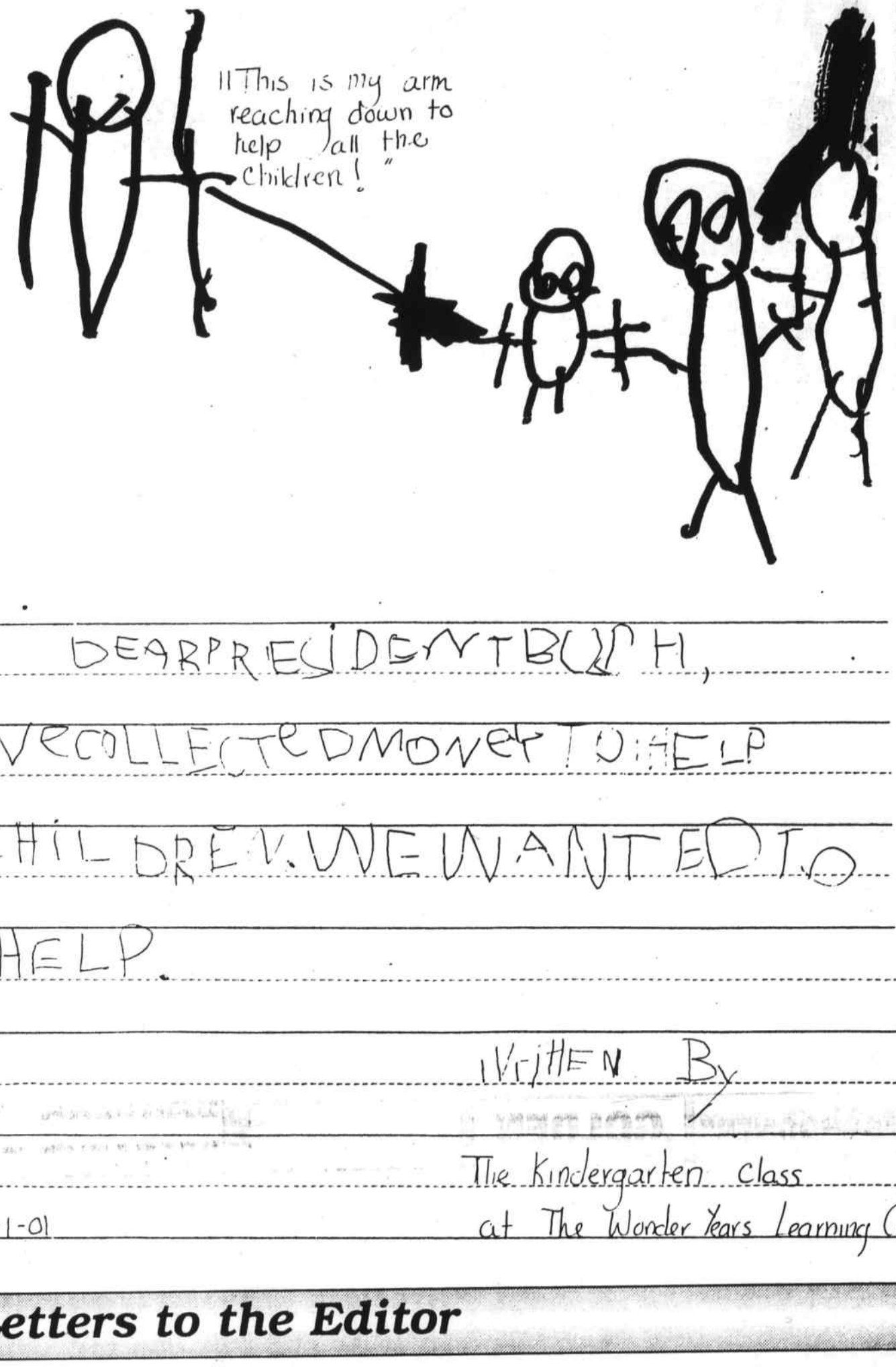
That answer might not be good enough for the folks in town who nonetheless have to juggle their electricity bills with their mortgage and other monthly expenses. How do you explain all of those ritzy nights spent in decadent Las Vegas hotels? How do you justify the trips to the golf course, the meals at the highest-rated restaurants, the indulgences of the finest wines, the jaunts in rented limousines, the nothing-says-I-love-you-more deliveries of the most breathtaking flowers?

How do you justify *any* of those purchases to the rate payers who can barely afford to take their kids out to the Ninety-Nine Restaurant maybe once a week?

At the moment, RMLD is scrambling to assemble records and proof for the inspector general. Rucker and his staff should be getting their explanations ready for their customers too, unless they want to experience a business-blackout when their current contracts are finished. It would be a simple gesture, but perhaps the folks at RMLD could mail each of its rate payers a letter in which it explains each controversial purchase and vows immediately to curb all such spending. Sure, the total postage for all of those letters would cost Rucker and his staff a pretty penny. That's okay, though. They shouldn't have to worry about that.

After all, they've got that credit card.

This letter to President Bush was submitted to the Town Crier by the little folks at The Wonder Years Learning Center on Lowell Street, in Wilmington. It is a letter, complete with illustration, per the president's request that all American children chip in and help the children of Afghanistan.



DEAR PRESIDENT BUSH,

WE COLLECTED MONEY TO HELP CHILDREN. WE WANTED TO HELP.

WRITTEN BY

The Kindergarten class at The Wonder Years Learning Ce

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Letters to the Editor

Holiday craft fair a success for Class of 2002

Dear Editor:

As Senior Class Advisor, I would like to take this opportunity to publicly express my thanks to the Wilmington community for graciously donating to Wilmington High School's Class of 2002 during the recent Holiday Craft Fair. The holiday fair was a success for the class of 2002 due in part to the generous contributions of time, energy and food from students, parents and businesses from Wilmington and surrounding communities. In particular, I would like to personally thank the following people who were instrumental to the fair's success: Barbara Walsh; Claire Cronin; Bob McCoy; and Ray Pilat, of Coca Cola in Lowell.

The class officers and I thank you again for your continuous benevolent support throughout the years. Together, you have played a key role in the future of the Class of 2002 at Wilmington High School

Sincerely,
Stephen T. Lynch
Senior Class Advisor
Wilmington High School

He's been good at home and at school

Dear Santa:

My name is Brandon. I'm a seven-year-old boy. This year I started going to a new 2nd grade class in school. I also went to Busch gardens a place in Virginia for my birthday.

I like playing in the snow in Christmas and I also like receiving presents and signing Christmas carols.

This year I think that I was good because my mom says that I behave at home and at school. Because I've been such a good boy I might get all the toys I want for Christmas.

I thank God that my parents are well and that I can still have a Christmas. I wish that those children who lost their parents on September 11th could still have Christmas.

Love,
Brandon

Letters to the Editor

Flag waving, patriotic singing a way of life for Minutemen

Dear Editor:

This is an open letter to anyone who reads it.

If you like all the flag-waving and patriotic singing that is currently going around, and you would like to see it continue, then I have a message for you. In spite of all that you hear to the contrary, the chances are that by the new year all of that will have quieted down. If you want it to continue, there is a way. Join the Wilmington Minuteman Company.

We are looking for people with a patriotic fervor, people who are proud of the history of the USA and would like to pass it on to their children. We are looking for you. You don't need to have ancestors who fought in the Revolutionary War, and you don't need to live in Wilmington. All you need is pride in America and its history. All you have to do is live in one of Wilmington's surrounding towns.

We march in parades in towns in Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine. We camp at Revolutionary War Musters all over Eastern New England. Some of us camp in 18th century tents, others camp in 21st century trailers and tents. There are a lot of options for activities, including ones that involve fifes, drums, muskets, cannons and flags.

We open all of meetings with the Pledge of Allegiance. We meet at 8 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month in the building behind the Harnden Tavern. In fact, we have a meeting this Thursday, December 13.

Why don't you come and look us over? If you need any more information, please contact me at 978-658-3949.

Sincerely,
Frank D. Curley

Merrimack Valley Chorus has concert coming up

Dear Editor:

Hi to all and happy holidays.

I know that many of you are busy during this time of the year, but if you have the chance, the Merrimack Valley Chorus will be performing on Friday, December 15, in Manchester, New Hampshire, at the Meeting House at River Front at 7 p.m. Depending upon the weather, this concert could be held either indoors our outdoors.

Directions, from Route 93: Take Route 93 North to Route 101 West (to Bedford). Follow Route 101 West to Route 293 North (toward Concord). Go approximately 3 to 4 miles to Exit 6 (Amoskeag Bridge). Take a right off the exit and get into the far left-hand lane. You will see Interstate Restaurant Supply by the lights before the bridge. (Do not cross the bridge.) Take a left at the first light onto Riverfront Drive. The Meeting House is the three-story building on your left.

Here is a list of songs that we in the chorus will sing:

White Christmas
Winter Wonderland
Hanukkah song
Hark the Herald
Midnight Clear/Silent Night
Christmas Chopsticks
Carol of the Bells
Coventry Carol
Little Drummer Boy
Christmas Dreams
In the Mood
Bandstand Boogie
Moment I Saw Your Eyes
Chordbusters
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If anyone has any questions or would just like more info, please call me at 978-658-0561. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Tracey Peterson
Wilmington

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Morning mailings asked

Wilmington Post Master, Jake Quinn and Tewksbury Post Master, Kathleen Goodson are encouraging everybody to post their mail early in the day especially during the next week, which is predicted to be the busiest of the Christmas season. Postmasters are asking all postal patrons including businesses to mail by or before noon to help speed the flow of the mail through the North Reading mail facility.



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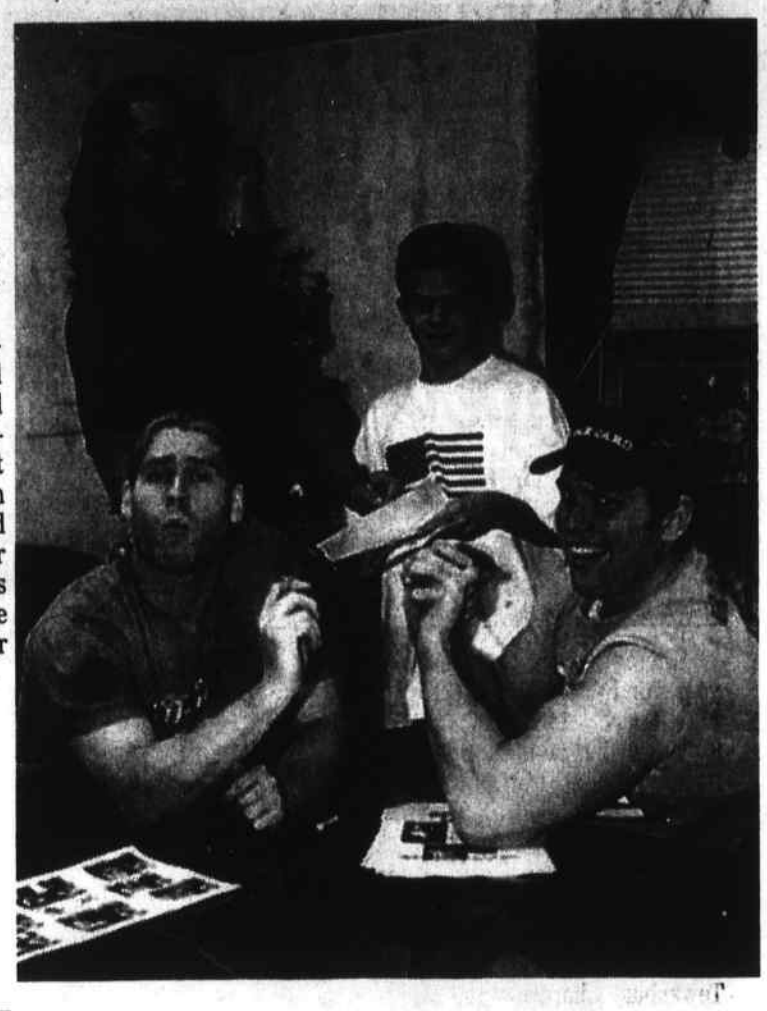
Year 2002 hunting and fishing licenses available

TEWKSBURY - Town Clerk Elizabeth Carey has announced that the Year 2002 hunting and fishing (sporting) licenses have finally been delivered by the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife and are available at the Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30.

First time hunters shall show a Certificate of Competency from the Hunter Education Bureau and previously licensed hunters seeking to purchase a hunting or sporting license shall show a Certificate of Competency, or a previous hunting/sporting license, or an F.I.D. card, or a license to carry card before a hunting or sporting license can be issued.

Please be advised that all previous years licenses are returned to the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife Field Headquarters (508-792-7270), the Town Clerk does not have a copy on file at the Town Clerk's Office, therefore you should take with you, your hunting or sporting license from a previous year or the appropriate applicable documents when purchasing a Year 2002 hunting or sporting license.

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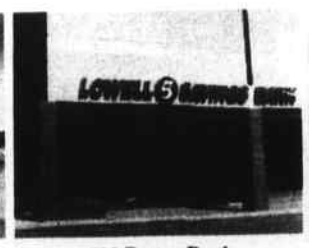
ARE YOU READY TO RUMBLE? Wilmington wrestling fan Dean Clifford was when he stopped by West Real Estate on Main Street and met Chaotic Wrestlers Aaron Stevens, standing, Arch Kincaid, left, and Chris Nowinski. The mighty-muscled autograph-signing session was held in part of the Toys for Tots Christmas collections that Karen and Frank West have been making at their business all month long. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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Annual Children's Winter Holiday Concert

TEWKSBURY - The Tewksbury Memorial High School Music Department will present the 36th Annual Children's Winter Holiday Concert Sunday, December 16, 2001. The concert will take place in the high school cafeteria at 2 p.m. Admission is free.

The audience will be seated at tables during this "Pops" style concert. A wide array of delectable holiday refreshments will be available. The Concert Band, Jazz Band and Chorus will provide seasonal mucic for children of all ages.

Santa and his friends are again expected to make an appearance at this festive music event of the year.

Ray completes basic training

TEWKSBURY - Marine Corps Pvt. Jeffrey S. Ray, son of Donna and Stephen Ray of Whittemore St., Tewksbury, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

Ray successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Ray and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Ray spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Ray and other recruits also receive instruction on the Marine Corps' core values, honor, courage and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Ray and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54 hour team effort, problem solving evolution which culminated with an emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and were addressed as "Marines" for the first time since boot camp began.

Post Office says mail early

WILMINGTON/TEWKSBURY - Postmasters Kathleen M. Goodson, Tewksbury, and James R. Quinn, Wilmington, today encouraged persons to mail early this holiday season, especially with Christmas falling on a Tuesday.

"The Christmas holiday will be here before you know it, and we want to make sure your Christmas cards and packages arrive so delivery will be made on time. Just help us by mailing early," the postmasters said. Persons waiting until the last weekend before Christmas will be making a mistake because there is only one business day after that, they said.

They said this holiday should be especially meaningful to Americans. "It is more important than ever to reach out to family and loved ones. We have all gone through a difficult time and we can now reconnect with those we hold dear. Nothing carries a message of hope better than the mail."

They said cards, letters and gifts are part of the magic of the holidays. "We at the Postal Service value this tradition and our trusted role in sustaining it. This holiday, every card and letter carries the message that, after more than 200 years, a valued institution remains strong."

The postal officials said: "This year, the simple act of sending holiday mail is also an act of individual strength - a refusal to allow terrorists to take control of our lives. Everyone should continue to choose the mail to send along greetings and gifts."

They said the Postal Service has delivered nearly 40 billion pieces of mail since the Sept. 11 attacks and will deliver more than 20 billion letters, cards and packages during the holiday season.

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O Most beautiful Flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this my request. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to succor me in this request; there are none that can withstand your power.

O, show me herein you are my Mother. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee. (3 times)

Sweet Mother, I place this request in your hands. (3 times)

Say for 3 consecutive days and publish. God Bless

12/12 S.C.

How to keep your back healthy

BURLINGTON - Orthopedic surgeon Bernard Pfiefer, MD, will offer tips on keeping your back in shape on Tuesday, December 18, 4:30 p.m. at Lahey Clinic Medical Center, Alumni Auditorium, 41 Mall Road, Burlington.

Seniors 55 and older are welcome to join us for a specially priced ($3.95) full course meal immediately following the presentation.

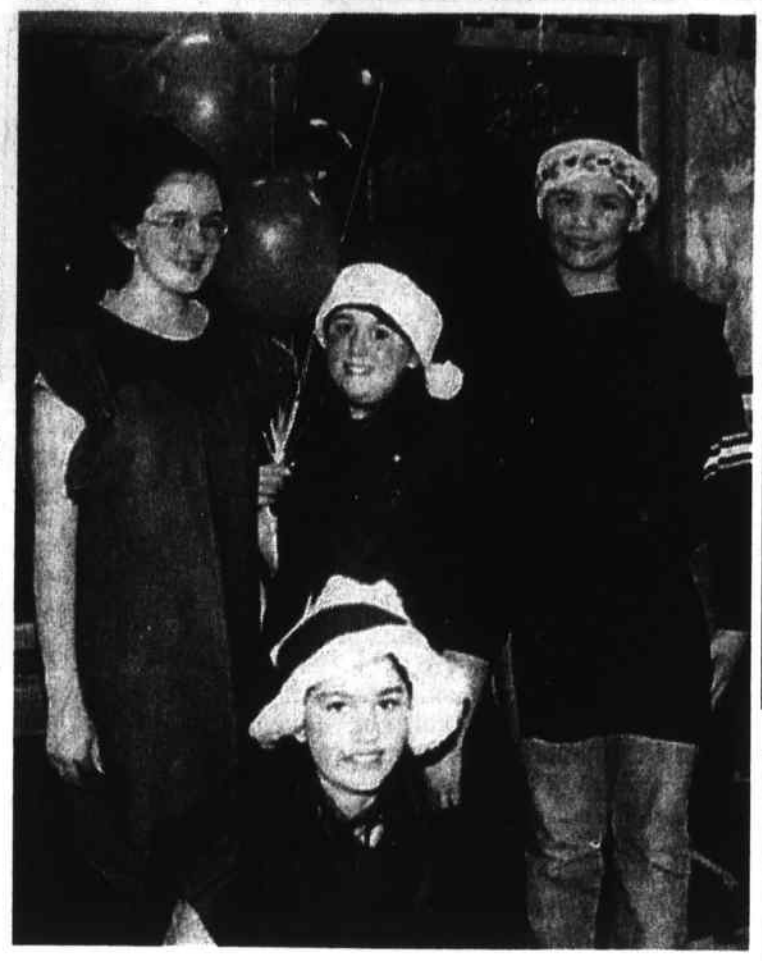
For menu selection and preregistration, call the Community Hotline at 781-744-3414.

WHS Financial Aid Night a success

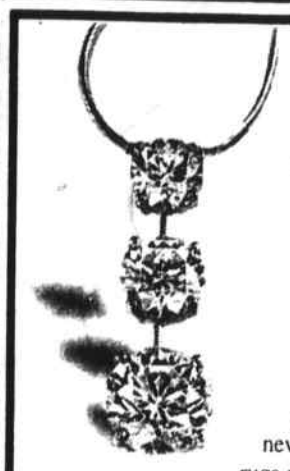
WILMINGTON - Wilmington High School sponsored a most successful Financial Aid Night Wednesday, December 5. Approximately 80 parents and students attended.

Melissa Metcalfe, a representative of Mass. Educational Finance Authority (MEFA) walked participants through the Financial Aid process, including how to fill out the FAFSA form, explaining how money is awarded, and how to pay for college once your financial aid package has been awarded. Ms. Metcalf encouraged parents and students to complete the FAFSA on line and call MEFA with any questions that might come up during the process.

Financial Aid forms are now available in the Guidance Office at WHS.



SANTA'S HELPERS. Wilmington elves Caitlin Brenahan, Jenn Paris, Cassandra Hurley and Beth Morris helped Santa Claus entertain the kids when the Jolly Old Elf stopped by the Town Hall for a workshop on Monday, December 10. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



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First Thursday: Of Each month, 7 p.m., Shawsheen River Watershed Assoc. meets at Blair House, Erlin Terrace. Call 978-686-7050.

Second and fourth Wed.: The Tewksbury Chapter of the American Chronic Pain Assoc. meets the second and fourth Wed. of each month at 7 p.m. Call 978-640-9497 for information.

Third Sat., of each month: Good Will Industries at Tewks. DPW from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to collect computers and tvs. Donation of $5 will be requested.

Signup for Girl Scouts by calling Joyce at 978-640-8925 or email phamlyn@mediaone.net.

Every Thurs.: Al-Anon meeting at St. William's Church basement, Main St., Tewksbury; 7:30 p.m. Call Dottie at 978-851-7655.

Every Thurs.: Pre-Alateen meeting, 6:15 every Thursday at St. William's Church (basement), 1351 Main St., Tewks. Ages Six-12. Call Dottie at 979-851-7655.

Club and Mail Carriers 11th annual Make a Difference Day. Place nonperishable food donations near your mailbox to be picked up by he mail carrier.

Now-Apr. 7: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., John J. Moakley: In Service to His Country, an exhibit drawn from the papers of the late congressman in the Gallery at Suffolk University Law School, 120 Tremont St., Boston. Call 617-573-8508.

Fri., Dec. 14: 12:45 p.m., Cootie Party at Tewks. Senior Center.

Sun., Dec. 16: 2 p.m., TMHS Music Department 36th annual Children's Winter Holiday Concert in the high school cafeteria. Admission free.

Sun., Dec. 16: 2 to 4 p.m., Council on Aging Santa Day at Tewks. Senior Center; grandchildren and great- grandchildren invited.

Sun., Dec. 16: 6 p.m., Christmas Concert at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, 198 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover. Call 978-683-8922.

Mon., Dec. 17: Tickets for Tewks. Seniors' Foxwood Day trip still available. Call 978-640-4482.

Tues., Dec. 18: 9:30 to 11 a.m. and 7:30 to 9 p.m., Rep. James Miceli office hours in Tewks. Town Hall kitchen. Rep. David Nagle will also be present from 7:30 to 9 p.m. to answer questions or concerns of residents of Tewks. Precinct 3.

Wed., Dec. 29: 6:45 p.m., bus leaves Senior Center for Kenny Rogers performance at Tsongas Arena. Call 978-640-4482.

Mon., Dec. 31: New Year Party at Tewks. Senior Center. Tickets at the Center.

Jan. 2: Fred C. Church Insurance will open new office at 1777 Main St., Tewks.

Jan. 18: Last day to submit applications for ninth annual induction ceremony of TMHS Athletic Hall of Fame. Call 978-640-7834.

Tocci earns honors

WILMINGTON - Michael A. Tocci of Wilmington, has been named to the honor roll for the first marking period at Arlington Catholic High School.

Wilmington Recreation adult gym

WILMINGTON - The Recreation Department's annual gym program for adults will begin Wednesday evening, December 12 at the North Intermediate gym. This informal program consists of pickup basketball play.

Cost per visit is $5 per person. The program will run through March 20 on Wednesday evenings. Call 978-658-4270 for more information.

Early Childhood Center concert

WILMINGTON - Wildwood Early Childhood Center will present a Winter Celebration Concert Wednesday, December 19 at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

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LaLeche League of Wilmington meets at Winchester Hospital Family Medical Center, 500 Salem St. on the second Friday of each month starting at 10 a.m. Call 978-657-8301.

Second Thurs: of each month, 8 p.m., Wil. Minutemen Company meet at Headquarters, at the rear of Harnden Tavern, Woburn Street, near the corner of Rt. 62 in No. Wilmington. Meetings are open to any man or woman interested in local history.

All day, every day: Free blood pressure clinic at Wilmington Fire Station; 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., weekends included. No appointment necessary.

Tues., Thurs: Evenings at 7 and Friday at 10 a.m., Internet classes at Wil. Mem. Library. Call 658-2967.

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Mon., Dec. 17: 9:30 to 11 a.m. and 7:30 to 9 p.m., Rep. James Miceli office hours will be held in the small Conference Room at Wilmington Town Hall.

Wed., Dec. 19: 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., Wildwood Early Childhood Center Winter Celebration Concert.

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Details on State Inspector General's findings on Reading Municipal Light Department credit card spending

Findings

Finding 1. RMLD'S credit card spending cost ratepayers thousands of dollars in excessive, unauthorized and or inadequately documented expenditures.

This Office's investigation found that the General Manager, a cardholder, is the foremost abuser of RMLD's credit card policy.

Of more than 700 credit card purchases made by the General Manager, less than 10 percent of the requests for payment were accompanied by notations, charge slips, and receipts which clearly indicate the business nature of the expense.

Of the 130 credit card purchases made, by the Assistant General Manager, less than 20 percent of the requests for payment were accompanied by notations, charge slips, and/or receipts which clearly indicate the business nature of the expense. Of the 342 credit card purchases made by other RJ~ALD staff, less than 20 percent of the requests for payment included notations, charge slips, and receipts which clearly indicate the business nature of the expense.

A. Las Vegas, Nevada

In early June 2000, three RMLD employees, (the Assistant General Manager, the electrical Maintenance Manager, and the Senior Meter Technician) traveled to Las Vegas, Nevada. RMLD's payment records supporting costs incurred for the Las Vegas, trip are sparse and do not clarify the purpose of the trip. A notation on the monthly credit card bill submitted for payment indicates that the Assistant General Managers expenses were incurred in conjunction with an American Public Power Association (APPA) conference. However, the APPA reported to this Office that it has no record of any APPA conference, meeting, seminar or other event scheduled during the month of June 2000 in Las Vegas.

Hotel records reflect that the Assistant General Manager and another unidentified guest stayed for one night in one of Las Vegas' finest hotels at more than quadruple the room cost of each of the other two RMLD employees. Thereafter, for the next two nights, the cost.

• **June 3, 2000 (Saturday)** — Records from the Bellagio Motel & Casino, Inc., Las Vegas, NV indicate that two guests occupied hotel room #23028 for one night totaling $589.49. The Hotel's records also indicate that telephone calls totaling $45.58 were included In the bill that the Assistant General Manager submitted for payment. The credit card bill that the Assistant General Manager submitted for payment also contained the handwritten notation "APPA." The APPA has no record of any meeting held during the month of June in Las Vegas, NV.

• **On June 4 and 5, 2000 (Sunday and Monday)** — records from the Mirage Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, indicate that a RMLD credit card secured and paid for a deluxe room for a total of $792.14. Also included in the room charges were telephone calls and spa services. The Assistant General Manager subsequently submitted the credit card statement for payment. The bill contained the notation "APPA" next to the Las Vegas expenses. As stated above, the APPA reported to this Office that it has no record of any APPA-sponsored conference, meeting, seminar or other event scheduled during the month of June 2000 in Las Vegas.

• **June 3, 4, & 5, 2000 (Saturday - Monday)** — Records from Balfy's Parts Hotel and Casino indicate that RMLD's Electrical Maintenance Manager and Senior Meter Technician checked into two separate rooms, charged room service meals and incurred steep tong-distance telephone charges ($68.27 and $141.45 respectively). The total for two employees staying three nights was $1,054.04. Although requested by this Office, RMLD did not provide any records of payment for these expenses.

• **From June 3 to June 5, 2000 (Saturday, Sunday and Monday)** — records received from the Tres Jazz Night Club and Pans Provincial Restaurant at the Paris Las Vegas Resort indicate that on four separate occasions several guests dined and consumed alcohol at ratepayer's expense. The total for the dinner outings was $641.51 (of which $115 was spent on - alcohol and wine). The Assistant General Manager's bill submitted to RMLD for payment did not identify the guests who dined at ratepayer's expense. The food and alcohol consumption included: Chilean sea bass ($30.00); seared jerk tuna ($32.00): filet of beef ($36.00); Hess Collection wine ($40.00; and a Bloody Mary; Absolute vodka; Dewars Whiskey and glasses of F. Carano wine(7).

• **On June 6, 2000 (Tuesday)** — records received from the Mandalay Resort Group indicate two Luxor Show Tickets for the Blue Man Group were purchased using a RMLD credit card totaling $189.00. The Assistant General Managers bill submitted to RMLD for payment did not state who attended or whether the expense was for a business purpose. While entertainment expenses are permitted by RMLD's credit card policy, the business purpose must be clearly indicated.

Upon returning from Las Vegas, NV the Assistant General Manager submitted a RMLD weekly expense statement for personal reimbursement, Which included the following "APPA" additional expense:

• **June 4, 2000 (Sunday)** — the Assistant General Manager arid two guests dined at Onda Mirage Resort & Casino Restaurant, Las Vegas, NV, totaling $196.69. The expense report did not identify the Assistant Managers guests. The meal included: dark chocolate soufflé, Sambuca, and Saint Margarita, Trimbach Reis, and Villa Chianti wines.

The total to the ratepayers for expenses charged by the Assistant General Manager in Las Vegas (excluding airfare): $2,300.25. If a legitimate business purpose exists for this Las Vegas trip, the costs incurred were excessive by reasonable standards. In addition, monies spent on entertainment were not documented as having a business purpose. When this Office asked the Chairmen of RMLD's Board of Commissioners about the Las Vegas expenses he stated that they must be legitimate if the General Manager approved them.

B. Scottsdale, Arizona

During the period of this Office's review, the General Manager made three week-long trips to Scottsdale, AZ. As indicated below, during the most recent year 2000 trip. Certain, expenses incurred were identified by the General Manager as personal on the credit card bill that he submitted for payment. However, although requested by this Office, RMDL did not provide any records indicating the General Manager provided restitution of the monies, as the credit card policy requires. The question stands as to whether portions of the weeks in the two prior years were also, in fact, personal travel.

• **March 4 (Saturday) - March 10 (Friday), 2000** — The General Manager stayed at the Resort Suites in Scottsdale, AZ and charged $1,118.26 at the hotel. Hotel records indicate that golf expenses totaling $136.50 were included. On the bill submitted for payment, the General Manager noted that the golf and two nights at the Resort Suites were personal. However, records reflect that RMLD paid the entire bill. In addition, RMLD ratepayers paid for the General Manager to dine at Z'Tejas Grill in Phoenix, AZ, totaling $102.33; gasoline totaling $34.29; shuttle costs totaling $44.00; and a Massport Authority Logan parking fee of $124.00. A notation on the monthly credit card statement read, "APPA CEO Roundtable." Total cost to the ratepayers (excluding airfare) of the General Manager's year 2000 Scottsdale, AZ trip: $1,378.80.

• **March 13 (Monday) - March 19 (Sunday), 1999** — RMLD) credit card statements indicate that the General Manager was in Scottsdale, AZ for the "APPA CEO Roundtable." Records show that the General Manager stayed at the Resort Suites in Scottsdale, AZ for $1,135.14; rented an Avis Rent-A-Car car for $501.89; dined at the Old Tortilla Factory for $65.00; and parked at the Massport Authority Logan lot for $70.00. Total cost to the ratepayers (excluding airfare) of the General Manager's 1999 Scottsdale, AZ trip: $1,782.58.

• **February 28 (Saturday) - March 6 (Friday), 1998** — The General Manager's week-long stay at the Radisson Resort in Scottsdale, AZ totaled $1,848.15. Included in the expenses paid by RMLD ratepayers were long distance telephone charges of $86.80; credit card receipts from Andre's Restaurant and Cabana Bar totaling $58.89; a gift shop florist expense of $12.56; an Avis rent-a-car totaling $595.32. Dinner at the Carlsbad Tavern totaling $38.90 and a Chart House Restaurant receipt in Scottsdale, AZ totaling $293.51. The credit card bill submitted by the General Manager noted that expenses were in conjunction with the "APPA CEO Roundtable." The total cost to the ratepayers (excluding airfare) of the General Manager's 1998 Scottsdale, AZ trip: $2,776.62.

Total cost (excluding airfare) to the ratepayers for the General Manager's 1998-2000 Scottsdale. AZ trips: $5,938.00.

C. San Antonio, Texas

In the spring of 1998, the General Manager and another RMLD employee spent several days and several thousand dollars in San Antonio, TX. The costs incurred appear excessive and while records submitted for payment indicate that the trip was in conjunction with an "APPA conference," (records do not indicate the dates of the conference.)

• **From June 12 to 18, 1998**, a week-long stay by the General Manager at the San Antonio Marriott River Center totaled $1,951.78. The following expenses were included in that total: $85.77 for room service; $29.75 in pool/hotel bar tabs; $65.00 in valet parking services; $26.94 for laundry services; and $35.87 in long distance telephone calls. The General Manager also rented a car from the San Antonio, TX Avis Rent-A-Car for $354.48 and had $133.91 of miscellaneous and unidentified expenses charged at the hotel;

• **From June 12 15, 1998**, a four-day stay by another RMLD employee at the San Antonio Marriott River Center totaled $729.13. The following expenses were included in the total $135.57 in hotel restaurant expenses; $90.97 in long distance telephone calls; and $43.17 in hotel in-room movie rentals. Miscellaneous meal Charges and Massport parking fees totaled $91.82.

Total cost of trip (excluding airfare) to ratepayers: $3,261.12.

D. Miscellaneous Credit Card Purchases

The following partial listing of purchases constitute violations of the credit card policy. Either a request for payment was submitted without the requisite documentation clearly stating a valid business purpose or where a purchase was marked "personnal," no records reflect that RMLD was reimbursed for the personal purchases.

• **On March 18, 1999, a RMLD manager charged $584.63 worth of bedding and bathroom items at Bed Bath & Beyond in Burlington, Mass. The RMLD employee wrote "General Manager furniture request" as the business reason for the purchase. The Chairman of the Board of Commissioners surmised that the bedding might be for the emergency crews who sleep at the station during storms. The following items were included in the purchase:**
- **Mattress pad, down comforter and duvet ($199.98);**
- **Two Zurich pillows ($79.98):**
- **Calais feathered quilt ($99.99); and**
- **Newport hand and bath towels ($27.92).**

• **On March 31, 1999, the General Manager hired Boston Coach Company for an unknown purpose at a cost of $425.00;**

• **On Jan. 21, 2000, the Assistant General Manager hired Next One Sedan Service Company for APPA Legislative Meetings' at a cost of $123.75;**

• **On Feb. 2, 2000, the General Manager purchased $47.23 from Linens-N-Things with no receipt, but a notation on the monthly credit card statement read that the General Manager would reimburse RMLD. Despite specifically requesting such documentation, this Office was not provided with records documenting that this expense was reimbursed;**

• **On June 18, 2000, the Assistant General Manager charged two purchases totaling $14247 at Filene's Neckwear in Salem, NH. Although requested by this Office, no receipt or records evidencing restitution to RMLD were provided to this Office;**

• **On July 21, 1999, a RMLD employee purchased a blue power-bike DX model totaling $926.13 from PMI Progressive Marketing, Inc./Total EV of Dallas, Texas. The monthly credit card statement contained no explanation for the purchase;**

• **RMLD warrant article dated Nov. 20, 2000 indicates that on Nov. 11, 2000, RMLD purchased General Cinema Adult VIP tickets valued at $282.00. According to General Cinema records, there still is an outstanding balance of $7.00. Although requested, no receipts documenting the purpose of the expenditure was provided to this Office.**

Furthermore, no purpose was documented for these additional Nov. 11, 2000 warrant expenditure as:

• **$300.00 paid to ShowCase Cinemas;**

• **.$976.35 paid to Lynnfield Meat & Deli; and,**

• **$830.94 paid out in petty cash on petty cash log dated Nov. 20, 2000.**

E. Restaurants

RMLD ratepayers frequently paid for RMLD employees, commissioners, and undisclosed guests to dine at local and national restaurants. When dining locally, often nothing more than "lunch" or "dinner" appeared as the stated purpose for the expenditures. Those lunches and dinners appear to have no justified business purpose. In addition, all too often RMLD managers treated themselves and other employees to lunch or dinner at ratepayer's expense, justifying the expenditure by stating that office business was discussed. The frequency of this practice is an abuse of the privilege. Moreover, RMLD'S funds were also spent without a clear stated business purpose for restaurant gift certificates and several dinners costing above $200. The following information provides a partial overview of the costs involved.

• **The General Manager and undisclosed guests dined at the Mandarin Reading Restaurant forty-one (41) times, the Assistant General Manager five (5) times and other management team members two (2) times: totaling $2,603.42. The RMLD management and unidentified guests ordered such menu items as: soft shell crabs; sizzling seafood platters; salmon; crispy jumbo shrimp; teriyaki chicken dinner; chirashi sushi; sushi deluxe; sushi bento; sushi & sashimi. The bar tabs included: sake, Headhunter and Suffering Bastard cocktails and Chardonnay Wines;**

• **From Nov. 1998 to Nov. 1999, the General Manager and unidentified guests dined at the Kernwood At Lynnfleld Restaurant on four separate occasions totaling $671.69 (including bar tabs of $78.15); while other members of the RMLD management dined there an additional seven (7) times totaling $813.56. The cost of food and alcohol included such items as: grilled salmon: london broil; baked scallops; rib eye steak; veal medallions; swordfish; shrimp plates; lobster ravioli; thick prime rib; lobster pie; 12 ounce filet; alcohol consumption included: Absolute and Stollchnaya vodkas; Southern Comfort whiskey; Tangueray gin, Sam Adams beer; and wines.(8)**

• **Total cost to ratepayers: $1,285.25**

• **On August 22, 1999, in conjunction with a New England Power Plant Association conference, RMLD ratepayers funded a $1,275.00 dinner at Capriccios Restaurant in Providence, R.I., for the General Manager and 13 unidentified guests. Food and alcohol purchases include: lobster ($41.95), prime rib ($29.50), veal ($23.95), shrimp scampi ($22.95), halibut ($24.95), and rack of lamb ($26.95). Liquor totaling $359.75 included: Captain Morgan and Bacardi rums; Bernnger Reserve wine; Beefeater gin; B&B brandy; Bailey's Irish Creme; a Fuzzy Navel, and Sambuca aperitif.(9)**

• **On July 24, 2000, three $125 gift certificates totaling $375.00 were purchased from the following three restaurants: Morton's of Chicago, O'Charley's, and the Hard Cover. The explanation noted on the credit card statement read: "for individuals doing significant work on North Reading substation project"**

• **On the following occasions RMLD management submitted bills for dinners costing over two hundred dollars without the requisite back-up documentation. No meal receipts or charge slips accompanied the demands for payment and the business purposes were not clearly stated. A partial list includes the following:**

• **On 1/26198: $882.73 at Hyatt Hotel, Washington, D.C. (10)**

• **On 8/18/98: $731.00 at Mona's at the Cornerstone in Burlington, VT.(11)**

• **On 12/22/98: $279.99 lunch at Donatello Restaurant in Saugus, MA. GM's noted purpose: "Lunch (X-Mas) for direct reports."**

• **On 2/8/99: $760.31 at Cities in Washington, D.C.(12)**

• **On 8/20/99: $290.24 dinner at Alberto's Ristorante, Hyannis, Mass. General Manager's noted purpose: "NEPPA Annual Conf. - dinner was with Commissioners & CAB and guest-room charges are included..."**

• **On 9/16/99: $397.25 meal at REI 26 Reading Restaurant, Reading, Mass. Assistant General Manager's noted purpose: None.**

• **On 6/10/00: $260.24 at Wolfgang Puck Cafe, Lake Buona Vista. Fla., General Manager's noted purpose: a "Dinner for APPA Annual Conf."**



WINTRY TREAT. So what if it's now the wintertime and the ice cream truck no longer comes around? Just hold an ice cream social! That's what the students at the Wildwood Early Childhood Center did last month. The event, which was sponsored by the North Side Parent Action Committee, filled the tummies of both Juliet and Kathryn MacFadden. (Courtesy photo)

SunBridge Care collecting Toys for Tots

WILMINGTON - SunBridge Care and Rehab for Wilmington, 750 Woburn St., has announced that the facility will sponsor a Toys for Tots collection from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday, through December 14.

"This year the spirit of giving is more important than ever," said Administrator Mark E. O'Flaherty. "A new toy on Christmas day can bring not only a great deal of joy and excitement to a needy child, but a feeling of hope that can last not for just one day, but throughout the year."

O'Flaherty asked that those who want to help needy children drop off toys of any price and size, as long as they are still in their original package, at SunBridge. Toys for Tots coordinators will pick up and store the toys collected and sort them, based on the age and gender of intended recipients. At Christmas, coordinators and local community agencies will distribute the toys to needy children throughout the community.

"While our facility cares primarily for senior residents, we believe that a nursing home is an important part of the community," O'Flaherty said. "This is one way that we can reach out across generations and help young people, too.

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ALL SECURE. Wilmington kiddo Emily Rakers is now guaranteed a safe ride in the family car, thanks to Officers Brian Gillis, left, and Anthony Fiore, right. On Saturday, December 8, the two officers adjusted her booster seat for her during a Child Safety Seat Inspection that was held at the police department's mobile precinct, which is parked at Wilmington Plaza. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

"Feel Good" reads

Museum Passes

WILMINGTON - If you are starting to plan family activities for December school vacation, this is a great time to take advantage of the museum passes available at the library. You can call the library at 978-658-2967 to reserve the pass to one of the following museums - Children's Museum, Museum of Fine Arts, Discovery Museums in Acton, Museum of Science, the Roger Williams park Zoo and the Harvard Museum of Natural History.

Many thanks to the Wilmington Community Fund, the Elementary School PACS, the Wilmington Council for the Arts, and the Friends of the Wilmington Memorial Library who have so generously funded these passes. For information about the library pass program and web links to these museums, go to the library's web site at www.wilmlibrary.org.

Staff Favorite "Feel Good" Reads

If you are looking for something to brighten your day and get your mind off the news or all the work you have to do, check out one of the Staff Favorite "Feel Good" Reads. Reference Librarian Terri Boudette has compiled the following list of titles:

Bennett, Alan. "The Clothes They Stood Up In." This is a very "dry" book about a couple who comes home from the opera and finds their house empty. It is about how they cope and learn to live with less. They learn much about themselves and the world around them. A funny, witty read!

Gabaldon, Diana, "Outlander." This time travel romance is 600 pages, but is still a fast and exciting read. Feisty Claire leads a double life with a husband in one century and a lover in another. She is torn between fidelity and a passion she has never experienced before. These characters will fill your heart with tales from Scotland and Britain of long ago.

Patterson, James. "Suzanne's Diary for Nicholas." Is it really possible for James Patterson to write a love story as great as his mysteries? Well, let me tell you he succeeds! You will be able to relate to these characters as if they were your friends. I found myself laughing and crying along with them. Kudos to Mr. Patterson!

Rood, Ronald. "How to you Spank a Porcupine?" This is another great read for animal lovers. It is the endearing true story of a Vermont family who adopted an orphan porcupine. The antics of this enchanting pet and the love of this remarkable family bring a smile to your lips and joy to your heart.

Sarton, May. "The Fur Person." A sweet, charming read for any animal lover. It is a funny story about the adventures of Tom, who after two years of being a cat-about-town decides it is time to find a home and human to call his own. He then evolves from a stray to a fur person. It is pleasure reading at its best!

Ward, Jane. "Hunger." This is a captivating book that you won't want to put down. It is a riveting novel that uses food as a metaphor for the pain and joy of love and life's beginnings and endings. It is well written, funny, realistic, entertaining and a good read!

Bookends

Bookends, the library's book discussion group, gave four thumbs up and three thumbs down to Angela's Ashes by Frank McCourt. The book that will be discussed at the January meeting is "The Greatest Generation" by Tom Brokaw.



FROZEN IN TIME. Passersby on Marshall Street in Tewksbury may have noticed a nine-foot dinosaur patrolling one of the front yards. Like those monsters in the "Jurassic Park" movies, this particular dino was made by humans too, in this case by Howard Vibber, above, and his kids, Stephanie and Ryan, and their friends, Antony and Jaren. Take a drive by while you can. If the weather heats up again, this is yet another dinosaur that might face extinction and melt. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



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Circuit breaker tax credit available for seniors

BOSTON - State Senator Sue Tucker has announced that a brochure providing information on the Circuit Breaker Tax Credit for senior citizens is available at a variety of locations in her district. The tax credit is designed to ease the local property tax burden on local senior citizens.

Senator Tucker's brochures introduce senior citizens to this new tax credit, which could save qualified seniors up to $385 on their 2001 property taxes, and will be made available in town halls, senior centers and senior meal sites throughout her district, which includes Andover, Dracut, Lawrence and Tewksbury.

"Many local senior citizens are deeply concerned about their level of property taxes," Senator Tucker said. "We passed this tax break to assist those seniors who are on a fixed income and now it's very important that we educate the community about how it works. I hope seniors will take the time to find out if they're eligible."

This new tax credit is called the Circuit Breaker because it's "triggered," like an electrical circuit breaker, when property tax payments exceed 10 percent of a senior citizen's annual income. Those who qualify will still be required to pay property taxes to their local communities. But they will receive a dollar credit for every dollar their property tax, and certain water and sewer bills, exceed 10 percent of their annual income, up to the $385 maximum.

Senior citizens who rent their homes can also take advantage of the same dollar for dollar credit, up to the same $385 maximum, if 25 percent of their annual rent exceeds 10 percent of their annual income.

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*Must be a Massachusetts resident, age 65 or older;

*Must own or rent residential property in Massachusetts as your primary residence;

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*Must file a joint return if married;

*Must not be a dependent of another tax filer;

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KEEPING PEOPLE WARM. The annual coat drive at the Shawsheen Elementary School was held on Friday, December 7, and the Student Council members pictured above did much to secure coats and mittens and hats for those who will need them this winter. Front row, from left to right: William Prince, Lucas Spry and Kristina Tummino. Middle row, from left to right: Heather Kealos, Meghan Pickett, Kerri Spry, Keith Brinley and Derek Queen. Back row, from left to right: Shannon Murphy, Matthew Cardarelli, Hannah Kelly and Kristen Keller. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Wilmington Police Log

Monday, December 3

Motor vehicle-related accidents occurred on Federal Street, Shawsheen Avenue and Concord Street.

Graffiti was found spraypainted on a trailer parked behind a Lowell Street grocery store.

Daniel Neill, 49, of Woburn, was stopped on Middlesex Avenue and arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Tuesday, December 4

A car was keyed while it was parked on Hobson Avenue.

Kids were throwing rocks at a school bus on Carter Lane.

Gregg Whitney, 23, of Wilmington, was stopped on Marcia Road and arrested for operating a vehicle after his license had been suspended.

Threatening phone calls were placed to a Kirk Street residence.

Wednesday, December 5

Neighbors on Cunningham Street were involved in a dispute.

Harassing phone calls were placed to a residence on Hopkins Street.

A case of embezzlement was reported at a Main Street company.

Motor vehicle-related accidents occurred on Glen Road and Main Street.

Kenneth Tavenner, 47, of Billerica, was arrested on a warrant and for operating a vehicle after his license has been suspended.

Thursday, December 6

Eric J. Beier, 31, of Haverhill, was arrested for speeding and a second offense of operating a vehicle after his license had been suspended.

An inflatable snowman, which was worth approximately $50, was stolen from a residence on Russell Road.

A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Church Street.

Graffiti was found spraypainted on the gymnasium door and the ticket booth at Wilmington High School on Church Street.

Graffiti was found spraypainted on a picnic bench on Mystic Avenue.

A bicycle, which was worth approximately $250, was stolen from the Middle School at Carter Lane.

Two bicycles were stolen from under the stairs of a Church Street residence.

An employee at a Main Street business punched his manager in the face.

Friday, December 7

Noreen Camelo, 38, of Melrose, was stopped on Lowell Street and arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol and violating a red light.

Motor vehicle-related accidents occurred on Concord and Lowell Streets.

Alan Burke, 39, of Hooksett, New Hampshire, was arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Eric Regan, 21, no address given, was arrested on Main Street for possessing a Class D substance.

Harassing phone calls were placed to a residence on Shawsheen Avenue.

Saturday, December 8

Antoinette Agruso, 25, of Tewksbury, was stopped on Middlesex Avenue and arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol and operating a vehicle outside of the marked lanes on the road.

Motor vehicle-related accidents occurred on Woburn Street and Aldrich Road.

Porfirio Burgos, 20, of Wilmington, was arrested for operating a vehicle with defective equipment, operating a vehicle after license suspension and violating seatbelt laws.

Joseph Hagan, no age given, of Wilmington, was arrested at a Main Street restaurant for assault and battery on a police officer, resisting arrest, and conducting himself in a disorderly manner.

Lisa Fraser, no age given, of Revere, was stopped on Lawrence Street and arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Youths were reportedly throwing snowballs at passing vehicles on Falcon Road.

Sunday, December 9

Jill Tucker, 33, of Woburn, was stopped on Park Street and arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Motor vehicle-related accidents occurred on Salem, Lowell and Woburn Streets.

Individuals were reportedly racing snowmobiles on the field at the Shawsheen Elementary School.

Windows at a Burlington Avenue business were smashed with a metal pipe.

A case of embezzlement was reported at an Eames Street company.

A mailbox was smashed at a residence on Falcon Road.

Tewksbury Police Log

Monday, December 3

Speeding citations were issued on East Street, Whipple and River Roads.

Handicap parking violation citations were issued to vehicles parked at a business on Main Street.

Tuesday, December 4

Police received a report of a blown transformer on a pole on Main Street that was causing power outages.

Speeding citations were issued on Main Street.

A fire was reported on Erlin Terrace.

Craig Nicholson, Jr., 18, of Tewksbury, was arrested on a charge of domestic assault and battery.

Wednesday, December 5

Speeding citations were issued on River Road and Delehanty Drive.

A vehicle's license plate was stolen on Merrimack Meadows Lane.

Eric Ekberg, 38, of Billerica, was arrested on a charge of operating a motor vehicle after his license had been revoked after he had been caught drinking and driving.

Thursday, December 6

A stolen vehicle was found on Squire Lane by a person walking a dog.

Christmas ornaments were stolen from a yard on Helvetia Street.

Speeding citations were issued on Whipple Road, Mohawk and Delehanty Drives.

Summonses were served on John E. Smith Drive, Seventh Street and Davis Road.

Police received a report of children starting a brush fire on Shoreline Drive.

A vehicle was vandalized on Erica Lane.

Friday, December 7

A brush fire was reported on East Street.

A car fire was reported on Barry Drive.

An elderly person was hit by a vehicle on Shawsheen Street.

Two vehicles were vandalized on Whipple Road.

Summonses were served on East Street and Littlefield Avenue.

Gilbert M. Hebert, 26, of Tewksbury, was arrested on a warrant.

Michael Runion, 50, of Lowell, was arrested on a warrant.

Gregory Marks, 32, of Tewksbury, was arrested on a charge of assault and battery.

Saturday, December 8

Speeding citations were issued on Andover Road and Main Street.

Handicap parking violations were issued on Main Street.

Sunday, December 9

Police responded to reports of weather-related accidents on Pond, Chandler, Marston and Shawsheen Streets.

Wires were reported down on Beech Street.

A resident on Baldwin Street was snow-blowing snow into the street.

Police reprimanded children who were throwing snowballs at residences on Beech Street.

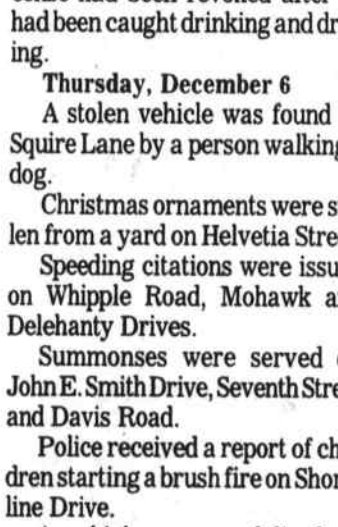
Domingo Rivera, 45, of Lowell, was arrested on two warrants.

Wilmington Community Fund Christmas ornament on sale

WILMINGTON - The Wilmington Community Fund will be selling Christmas ornaments at the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 1. The ornaments are engraved with the words, "Wilmington 2001" They are made in Canada of solid pewter and will make a wonderful memento of this year's festivities. This is the third in the series. The Community Fund is making a different ornament each year. At $8.00 each, this is a perfect addition to everyone's tree as well as a gift for a neighbor or a teacher or someone away at school or in the service.

If you can not get to the Common on Saturday you can still get one by calling the DiPalma's at 978-658-5107 or stop by the Town Crier office at 104 Lowell St., Wilmington or call the Town Crier at 978-658-2346.

In North Wilmington the ornaments will be available at Wilson



Wolfe Real Estate, 2 Shady Lane Drive (978 658-2345) or At Rick's Barber Shop at 378 Middlesex Ave. (Rt 62) 978-658-7831. In the center of town you can stop by Joe Barry's Oil at 312 Main St. (978-658-7174) opposite Dunkin Donuts. They are open early! On your way to work you'll find them there at 7:30 a.m.

A new outlet this year is Leduc's Card & Gift Shop at 211 Lowell St., (978-658-2910)

The Wilmington Community Fund has been helping the town since 1945 in ways public and private. One well known way is the Food Pantry, but in more subtler ways they have been there when personal disaster has hit Wilmington families.

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Loella Dewing honor roll

TEWKSBURY - The administration at Tewksbury's Loella F. Dewing School has released the honor roll for the most recent marking period with the following students listed:

High honors
Joseph Borges
Emily Boudreau
Frank Chiara
Veronica Feltz
Ashley Hebert
Karie Judge
Michael Ludka
Michelle Maffeo
James McDermott
Eric Paquette
Kristina Petrie
Erin Tibbetts
Michael Walsh
Samuel Weitz
Hillary Whitney

Honor roll
Adam Brickley
Manuel Cabral
Jeanelle Cheetham
Richard Clancey
Stacy Connolly
Evan Cutelis
Kate Diamond
Kaila Flynn
Erin Foster
Evan Goldsher
Patrick Hashem
Jocelyn Haversat
Sean Helm
Kyla Higgins
Todd Higgins
Elita Hit
Brittany Hoefer
Kayla Hurley
Jenelle Indelicato
Lorenzo Internicola
Geoffrey Knox
Andrew Lafortune
Jason Levesque
Leah Lewin
Jenna Lozowski
Alyssa Maia
Megan Meehan
Kelly Miliano
Katelyn Moore
Cameron Morris
Renee Noble
Jeff Oberg
Amy Reynolds
Lyndsay Robinson
Brett Scott
Connor Silva
Jessica Sullivan
Vyen My Tran
Kevin White

Honorable mention
Gina White



A TREE THAT GIVES. The youngsters at the Shawsheen Elementary School in Wilmington have set up in their lobby a Giving Tree on which they can hang hats, mittens and gloves that will soon be donated. From left to right, the pint-sized givers with the giant-sized hearts are students Sarah Johanson, Anthony Beraldi, Sarah Reagan and Andrew LaRosa. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Wilmington Senior Menus

Wilmington Seniors

Week of December 17

Monday: Vegetable lasagna, tossed garden salad, breadstick, chilled fruit, French bread and butter, milk, dessert

Tuesday: Stuffed cabbage, seasoned mixed vegetables, chilled peas, pumpernickel bread, butter, milk, Jello with topping.

Wednesday: Roast turkey dinner, creamy mashed potatoes, seasoned carrots, cranberry sauce, wheat dinner roll and butter, milk, ice cream.

Thursday: Broccoli and cheese stuffed chicken breast, mashed potato with gravy, seasoned green beans, chilled fruit, wheat bread and butter, milk, dessert.

Friday: Baked fish florentine, fluffy rice pilaf, stewed tomato, dinner roll and butter, chilled peaches, milk, ice cream.

Free college for members of American military

WILMINGTON/TEWKSBURY - Every member of the military can now obtain a college education in the information technology or engineering technology fields from a fully accredited college free of charge, thanks to a new program from Grantham College of Engineering, a leading distance education institution of higher learning.

Grantham College, which celebrated its 50th anniversary this year, is offering an unlimited number of scholarships to all of the nation's soldiers, sailors, airmen and members of the other uniformed services.

Edouard R. Quatrevaux, president of Grantham College, said "Grantham has long planned to do something to show our gratitude for the service of military men and women and had received approval in August of this year for the military scholarship program. Grantham College is especially proud to be able to announce the scholarship now, at a time when our uniformed men and women are putting their lives on the line to protect the rest of us."

Quatrevaux explained that the amount of the scholarship - which includes not only tuition, but also all books and software - is calculated to make Grantham College completely free of cost to military personnel.

Members of the military are eligible to take college courses at a reduced rate through a partial tuition assistance program of the Department of Defense. Normally, individual service members have the burden of paying 25 percent of the tuition plus the cost of textbooks and software. The newly announced scholarship program from Grantham College covers those expenses the military student normally would have to pay, so the cost of attending Grantham College is zero, or "free" to the service member.

"The purpose of these scholarships - besides helping military students surmount barriers to higher education," and Mr. Quatrevaux, "is to express our gratitude, and Grantham College is proud to provide this program as part of our mission to make an accredited college degree available to every qualified student."

For more information on Grantham's Military Scholarship Program visit www.grantham.edu/mils.htm or call (800) 955-2527. Established in 1951, Grantham College has earned the distinction as one of the oldest fully accredited colleges offering distance education in the United States. Recognized as a leading educator by graduate schools, global employers, and the United States military, Grantham has educated thousands of information technology and engineering students from around the world over the past 50 years.

School Lunch Menus

Wilmington Schools

Week of December 17
Extended Daycare
Wildwood & Boutwell

Monday: Breakfast for lunch, assorted cereal, ham sticks, chilled fruit, cucumber and carrot wheels, milk/juice, pretzel.

Tuesday: Chicken noodle soup, grilled cheese sandwich, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Wednesday: Pasta Day, rotini macaroni with butter, sauce optional, meatballs, tossed salad, breadstick, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Thursday: Hot dog on a roll, potato chips, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, Oreo cookies.

Friday: Italian style pizza, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Elementary

Monday: Lucky Plate Day, tomato soup with saltines, grilled cheese sandwich, chilled fruit, carrot and celery sticks, milk/juice, pudding with topping.

Tuesday: Chicken nuggets with assorted sauces, fluffy rice, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, brownie.

Wednesday: Roast turkey dinner, creamy mashed potato, seasoned carrots, cranberry sauce, dinner roll and butter, milk/juice, ice cream.

Thursday: Breakfast for lunch, French toast sticks with syrup, sausage link or patty, chilled fruit, milk/juice, snack cake.

Friday: Italian style pizza, pepperoni optional, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Middle School

Monday: Chicken Italian on hoagie roll (chicken with marinara sauce and shredded mozarella cheese), seasoned carrots, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Tuesday: Loaded nachos (nacho chips, cheese sauce, tomato, lettuce, salsa and seasoned ground beef), seasoned rice, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Wednesday: Chicken fryz, hash browns, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Thursday: Pasta with meatballs and sauce, seasoned vegetable, breadstick, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday: Stuffed crust pizza, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

High School

Monday: Chicken pot pie, mashed potato, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Tuesday: Chicken fryz, potato rounds, seasoned peas, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Wednesday: Taco bar, seasoned rice, shredded lettuce, tomato and cheese, chilled fruit, milk/juice, Jello with topping.

Thursday: American and Italian subs (turkey, ham, cheese, salami) with sub fixings, potato chips, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday: Italian style pizza, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Tewksbury Schools

Week of December 17

Monday: Dipper Day, oven potatoes, corn, hot roll, chocolate chip cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken Patty Day on roll with lettuce and tomato, crisp coleslaw, milk, bag of cheez-its.

Wednesday: Managers Lucky Plate Day, chilled juice, vegetable, milk, frosted cake.

Thursday: Holiday dinner, roast turkey with gravy, creamy potatoes, peas, hot roll or stuffing, milk, fruited Jello.

Friday: Orange juice, frankfurter on a roll with mustard and relish, potato puffs, coleslaw, milk, applesauce.

Shawsheen Tech

Week of December 17
Line III

Monday: Cheeseburger macaroni bake, mixed vegetables, hot roll, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Teriyaki pork dippers, French fries, carrots, hot roll, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Taco boat with meat and bean filling, shredded lettuce, cheese, diced tomato and salsa, Mexican rice, corn bread, fresh and canned fruit, baked dessert, milk.

Thursday: Oven roasted hot pork sandwich with gravy, mashed potato, peas, cinnamon and sugar applesauce, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Friday: Early release; beginning of Christmas vacation.

HAPPY 50th
Diane C.

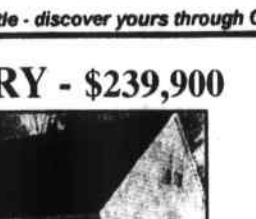


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12/12/01
Submitted by Colleen B. and Paula W.

American Heart Association honors volunteers

WILMINGTON/TEWKSBURY - The American Heart Association has announced that Charles Coldwell, R.Ph. of Lowell General Hospital and Dr. Robert Nicolosi will be presented service awards at the upcoming Heart Ball on February 16, 2002 at the Westford Regency.

Charles Coldwell, R.Ph. has been committed to helping others and supporting the staff of Lowell General Hospital. Whether it was by raising money for a cause to being a shoulder to lean on, the staff and physicians know they can depend on him. His expertise in pharmaceutical knowledge is not surpassed. Charlie will be presented the Gold Heart Award for medical service.

Dr. Robert Nicolosi is a long time supporter of the American Heart Association having served on the local affiliate and national boards. His research at UMass Lowell has made life better for people with high cholesterol, diabetes, atherosclerosis, Alzheimer's, cancer and coronary heart disease. Dr. Nicolosi will be presented the Dedication to the Heart Award for his service to mankind.

Chairmen of the event, Rod and Karen Griffith, of MarketReach, Inc. said, "We are extremely excited to be honoring two such deserving individuals who have done so much for our community."

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RMLD accused of "extravagant" spending sprees

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Manager at RMLD, sees the matter differently. For starters, Rucker maintains that all of the expenditures listed by the inspector general are "appropriate" and that his staff is "going through every single item, laying out the reasons for their expense in writing, and even attaching documentation when appropriate." Furthermore, Rucker says that the manner with which the inspector general released his document suggests that his investigation may be motivated by something other than a duty to root out fraud and abuse.

"The inspector general sent his document to everybody but us," says Rucker. "I found out about it by a reporter who called me. The way that this document was distributed suggests to me that it has a strong political connotation."

Rucker, it should be noted, acquired his position as general manager through an appointment by an elected board of directors in Reading.

In a press release, Sullivan listed a number of expenses purchased by RMLD staffers that, he says, should "offend the sensibilities of rate payers." Such listed items include:

- More than $40,000 for nights spent in such hotels as the Bellagio Hotel and the Mirage Hotel in Las Vegas, the Radisson Resort in Scottsdale, Arizona, and the Marriott River Center in San Antonio, Texas;
- Thousands of dollars spent at such locally and nationally known restaurants as The Kernwood in Lynnfield, Albert's Ristorante in Hyannis, and other ones in Florida, Rhode Island and Nevada;
- Approximately $586 spent at Bed, Bath & Beyond;
- Approximately $147 spent on neckwear at Filene's;
- Exactly $189 spent on tickets to see The Blue Man Group at the Mandalay Resort in Las Vegas;
- Exactly $282 spent on General Cinema movie tickets;
- And, approximately, $926 spent for the purchase of a power bike from PMI Progressive Marketing, Inc.

"It is the responsibility of my office to investigate waste and fraud of the tax payer's money," says Sullivan. "RMLD executives have traveled in high style on their rate payers' money for quite some time."

According to Sullivan, an example of RMLD's "extravagant" expenditures can be found in the staffers' decision to stay at the Bellagio Hotel in Vegas for $589 a night when other "quality" hotels in the area had vacancies for as low as $80.

According to Rucker, many of the items in question have explanations. For example, he says that the $586 spent at Bed, Bath & Beyond was used to purchase a bed for the general manager's office, so that employees would have a place to sleep when they are obligated to remain at work around the clock during a snow storm. Second of all, he says, the power bike, which cost $926, was bought so that a disabled contractor would be able to continue working on the premises. Lastly, says Rucker, items such as movie tickets and neckties were purchased so that they may be given away as gifts of appreciation during "employee recognition nights."

"Unless you have the background on all of those items" says Rucker, "it does look like they are extravagant purchases."

As for the nights spent at the best of hotels in Las Vegas and elsewhere, Rucker says that he is in the process of working with his staff to gather information and provide documentation on those purchases.

"I didn't go on those trips," says Rucker. "I've never been to Las Vegas in my life, not even for personal reasons."

According to Sullivan, though, RMLD's payment records for the trip to Las Vegas are "sparse" and "do not clarify the purpose of the trip." Furthermore, Sullivan notes that the Las Vegas expenses were "incurred in conjunction with an American Public Power Association (APPA) conference." However, says Sullivan, the APPA reported to the Office of the Inspector General that it did not have on record a single "conference, meeting, seminar or other event" scheduled at the time that RMLD staffers traveled to Las Vegas.

Rucker, notes Sullivan, "refused to be interviewed."

When asked what he would tell RMLD rate payers who might not like hearing from the inspector general that they've been "footing the bill" for such "lavish" expenses, Rucker replies, "I would remind them that we at RMLD have not raised our rates since 1993."

At its meeting on Tuesday, December 11, the Reading Board of Selectmen established a seven-member task force that will review the inspector general's report, determine the validity of its claims and make recommendations on what to do next. The task force will comprise of two selectmen, two members of RMLD's board of directors, two members of the Finance Committee and one citizen.

At press time, Roger Lessard, who represents Wilmington's interests as a member of RMLD's Citizens Advisory Board, had not heard anything about the investigation and its findings.

Town Manager Michael Caira learned about the inspector general's findings through the town manager in Reading. At press time, he had received and looked through the document and was eager to hear RMLD's side of the story as well.

"This certainly raises concerns," says Town Manager Caira. "I would like to hear from RMLD about how they would justify these expenditures."

Selectmen bid farewell to Altman

FROM PAGE 1

since 1980. Furthermore, McCoy suggested that the town's water supply, which he maintained is already being pumped at full capacity, could be in further jeopardy if both Wilmington's population and development continues to expand.

"This community will be built out," McCoy warned. "We need to be pro-active. We need to do what is great for this community."

Selectman Chairman Cain disagreed with the suggestion of a moratorium on development because of the effect that he fears it might have on the property rights of land owners in the community. In turn, Selectman Garrant, while remaining open to McCoy's discussion, rejected his fellow board members description of the town's Master Plan as a "tool to implement" development. Instead, Garrant countered, the Master Plan, which he has helped craft on the Master Plan Committee, is a tool to "shape development for the good of the town."

"You can't stop development," Garrant told McCoy.

Chairman Cain asked the board to vote whether or not to begin the process of drafting McCoy's desired ballot question, but none of the selectmen other than McCoy cast a decision in his favor.

McCoy may revisit the issue when the Master Plan Committee attends the next selectmen meeting on January 14.

"I'm just trying to limit new growth," said McCoy during an interview with the Town Crier. "I'm trying to show foresight and plan for this town for the next ten years. I don't believe that Wilmington has the resources to handle the growth."

- CHERRY SHEET. Town Manager Caira has received from the Department of Revenue the estimated amount of funds that Wilmington will likely receive for the Fiscal Year of 2002. The town should receive approximately $6.5 million for purposes of education and a little more than $3.3 million for local government expenditures. The ultimate tally of $9,818,093 in local aid marks an approximate $328,000 shortfall in what was initially projected, but Caira noted that conservative budgeting will ensure that there will be "no difficulties this year."

Of the $6.5 million that has been allotted for educational aid, approximately $2.2 million of it is actually a reimbursement from the state to the town as a first payment of the Commonwealth's share of the costs surrounding the construction of the new Middle School on Carter Lane.

- A JOB WELL DONE. The board, led by Selectman Palmer, recognized Milton "Uncle Milty" Heffron, of Heffron Materials, for his time and assistance in beautifying and maintaining certain areas of the town's infrastructure, particularly that which involves Shawsheen Estates.
- LICENSED TO SELL. The businesses and restaurants in Wilmington are all set for the year 2002, for selectmen approved licenses for alcohol sales, cars, automatic amusement devices, entertainment and food.

Alternative subdivision plan an "improvement"

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ty is within the Groundwater Protection District and the applicant failed to file a Stormwater Management form. Rainwater runoff from the roof of the new building must be filtered before entering the ground, and Mr. Onusseit suggested drywells for that purpose. Silt also needs to be removed from water during construction, so filters or settling basins should be installed.

"It's important that the stormwater be handled," said Commission Chairman James Morris. "The area floods."

At the meeting, the commission also expressed concern for the wetlands in the area around Car Mart. In recent times, the wetlands in the area have already been altered by the town's sewer project and remedial activities in an adjacent region. Some flags denoting wetland boundaries need to be relocated for purposes of accuracy, and some of the wetlands need to be restored.

The commission decided to continue its hearing on the Car Mart proposal until its next meeting on Wednesday, December 19, in order to allow the applicants time to check and replace wetland flags, calculate the rooftop runoff, and submit a stormwater management form.

- At the property on MIDDLESEX AVENUE that was formerly occupied by COOMBS FURNITURE, the parcel, which is owned by Frederick Shaw & Sons, LLP, was originally subdivided into seven lots. At the commission's last meeting, though, the property owners were asked to provide an alternative plan for the parcel that would guarantee more protection to the wetlands on the land.

A few of the seven lots are in close proximity to the adjacent wetlands and Lubbers Brook. As a result, they have constructing backyards. By eliminating one of the seven lots, the remaining six would be able to expand a bit and enjoy more space in their backyards. In addition, those yards would not encroach on the neighboring wetlands as much.

Michael Seekamp, of Seekamp Environmental Consulting, Incorporated, presented to the commission an alternative plan for the parcel. The plan would eliminate Lot 7 and would somewhat expand the other lots to provide larger backyards. Of the lots, it is the seventh one that poses the largest possible impact to the wetlands. There is even speculation that a vernal pool exists on the lot in question.

"Mr. Shaw proposed to restrict development of the property and deed lot 7 to the town and to the Conservation Commission," said Mr. Seekamp.

Impervious surface area would increase somewhat from the 30,940 square feet that exists now to 31,690 square feet. Infiltration methods, such as drainage ditches and drywells, would be installed to help improve overall conditions both on the property and toward the neighbors properties.

"The alternative plan is a big improvement and a good alternative to what was originally proposed," said Assistant Director of Planning and Conservation John Keeley. He added that the Board of Health still has a few technical problems to discuss with the owners of the property, so he recommended that the commission wait to hear what the board has to say.

The commission voted to continue its hearing to its next meeting on December 19.

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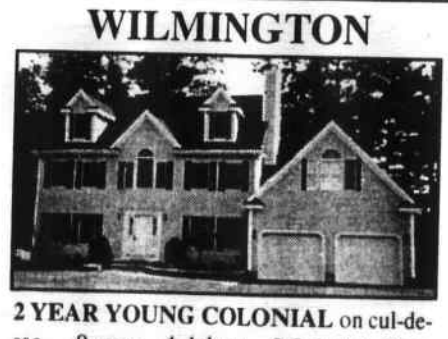

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Area Datebook

Congregation Shalom, a Reform Congregation located in Chelmsford is offering open registration for their pre-school for three and four-year-olds. The classes meet once a month for an hour on Sundays. A parent or guardian is required to accompany their child. The cost is $100 for non-members. Call Stacy Garnick at 978-251-8091 for further information.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Massachusetts are expanding their car campaign to include boats. The car campaign throughout Massachusetts has proven to be a great success. Those who have unwanted boats to donate may receive a valuable tax deduction on their income tax. All boats are subject to the approval of a broker and must be fiberglass, seaworthy, and in marketable condition. Proceeds will benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs.

If future plans include a new boat, a bigger boat, or no boat at all. The Boys & Girls Clubs would like to hear from you. Please call 1-800-246-0493.

La Leche League of Billerica offers monthly support meetings for pregnant and nursing mothers. Call 978-670-1309.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving in Mass. is conducting a car campaign to support their program. Call 1-800-720-6233 for information.

Lowell Y Preschool; Is now accepting registration for their fall programs. Children must be at least two years and nine months old to attend. Call 978-454-7825.

Skin Screenings; Skin cancer is the most common cancer, but most forms are easily treated if detected early. Lahey's Dept. of Dermatology offers free skin screenings for the public, by appointment only. Call 781-744-8979.

Sacred Choral Artists: a 40 member choral ensemble celebrating the beauty and artistry of sacred music, is seeking new members. All parts welcome to audition. Rehearsals Monday evenings in Haverhill. Call 781-665-9245; www.sacredchoralartists.org.

Having a hard time: Feeding your family? Call Project Bread's Food Source Hotline at 1-800-645-8333. The Hotline is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Fourth Mon. of each month, Adoptive support group for pre and post adoptive families at Billerica Boys & Girls Club, 19 Campbell Rd., Billerica. Call 978-667-3282.

Tuesdays: 5:30 to 6:45 p.m., seniors 55 and older full course meals and periodic health awareness programs at Lahey Clinic Medical Center's cafeteria. Call 781-744-3414.

Every Sunday: Brunch, all you can eat buffet at No. Reading Moose Lodge, 140 North Street. Call 978-664-8561.

Mon-Fri: Lowell Association for the Blind needs volunteers who can join the LAB Talking Information Center Radio Reading Service to read and record news. Call 978-454-5704 Mon-Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mon & Wed., 9 to 10 a.m., Lowell Boys Club offers water aerobics. Call 458-4526.

Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs: 7 to 9 p.m., Childbirth classes at Winchester Hospital. Call 781-756-4700.

For information: regarding Winchester Hospital's Senior Health Partnership's Walking Program for seniors, call 781-756-4774.

Mons./Thurs.: 10 a.m. to noon, Family Connection at Pawtucket Congregational Church, Mammoth Rd., Lowell. Includes information, friendship, fun and recreation to parents of young children in Greater Lowell. Call 957-5484.

Winter session of Easter Seals adapted swim program for children with disabilities opens at Burbank YMCA, Reading. Call 1-800-244-2756 x 426.

Sun., Dec. 16: 6 p.m., Christmas Concert at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, 198 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover. Call 978-683-8922.

Tues., Dec. 14: 4:40 p.m., Healthy Back Seminar at Lahey Clinic Medical Center, Alumni Auditorium, 41 Mall Road, Burlington. Call 781-744-3414.

Sun., Dec. 22: 9 a.m., Greater Lowell YMCA registration for swim lessons for member and HPHC; 10:30 a.m., for non- members and Roudenbush. Call 978-454-7825.

Now-Apr. 7: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., John J. Moakley: In Service to His Country, an exhibit drawn from the papers of the late congressman in the Gallery at Suffolk University Law School, 120 Tremont St., Boston. Call 617-573-8508.

Feb. 9: College bound high school students can take the ACT Assessment on February 9, the next nationwide test date. Access www.act.org.

Feb. 16: Heart Ball at the Westford Regency. Call 1-888-970-6933.



MEET THE MANAGER. Tewksbury resident Steve Bruno, who is a sales and service associate at the post office in Wakefield, attended the Middlesex-Central Postal District's first Town Hall Meeting in North Reading on Wednesday, December 5. While there, Bruno enjoyed a conversation with Linda Ann Papa, the lead plant manager of the Middlesex-Essex Processing and Distribution Center. (Courtesy photo)

Tewksbury Senior Topics

Santa Day a great opportunity to round up those grandkids

TEWKSBURY - It is hoped that all those who attended the annual COA Christmas dinners had an enjoyable evening. A special note of thanks is extended to the arts and craft class for their donation of hand made centerpieces and favors for the 400 people who attended. Each year the craft class undertakes this project and each year they do a wonderful job. Thank you, ladies!

Those volunteers attending the MEMA training Thursday, December 13 are reminded that the training will be held at MEMA headquarters from 9 to 11 a.m.

This month's Senior Center Cootie Party will be held Friday, December 14 beginning at 12:45 p.m. All are welcome to go on down and enjoy the afternoon activity.

If you are planning to attend the COA Santa Day Sunday, December 16, please be sure to get your tickets. Your cooperation will enable us to estimate the amount of supplies needed. As previously noted this is a great opportunity to gather up the grandchildren and great-grand- children and take them on down to see Santa and have an ice cream sundae. Tewksbury senior citizen tickets are free while other adult tickets are $1 and children's tickets 50 cents. The event will be held from 2 to 4 p.m.

Those traveling to Foxwood Monday, December 17, are reminded that the bus will leave from the Senior Center at 7:15 a.m. sharp. Please remember to park along the perimeter of the parking lot. Thank you.

Those senior citizens participating in Mrs. Friedman's class program at the Trahan School are reminded that they are invited to visit with the children Tuesday, December 18. The children will be stringing popcorn and cranberries and welcome your help. You may drop by between the hours of 9:15 a.m. and noon.

Those attending the Kenny Rogers performance at the Tsongas Arena Wednesday, December 19, please note that the bus will leave from the Senior Center at 6:45 p.m. At the time this article was submitted there were two tickets still available. For information call Carol Hazel at 978-640-4482.

Dr. Smith will conduct a podiatry clinic at the Senior Center Tuesday, December 31. One may now sign up and make a $10 co-payment. This clinic is limited to 25 Tewksbury Senior Citizens. Please note that priority is given to those who were on the waiting list for the last clinic. This clinic is supported in part by the Council on Aging.

With Christmas just around the corner, we remind you that our "Cook Connection" cookbooks make a great gift item. There are 270 recipes from over 100 local cooks and guest cooks. The book comes with its own gift bag which is just big enough to include an additional item or maybe even a gift certificate to a supermarket giving the receiver an opportunity to purchase just the right ingredients for that special dish! Cookbooks are available at the Senior Center on weekdays. One may also call Mary Ann Wareham at 978-851-3344 for cookbook information. The price of the book is $12. Proceeds benefit the Senior Center Building Fund with 50 cents of each book benefiting the Tewksbury Disaster Fund.

Tewksbury Senior Citizen residents who may need assistance with fuel costs, may contact Carol Hazel or Linda Brabant at 978-640-4480 to apply for fuel assistance under the Community Teamwork program. Just ask for Carol or Linda and they will tell you of information needed for your application appointment. Those residence who are not senior citizens may contact CTI at 978-459-6161 or the Billerica Veterans' Agency at 978-671-0968 to arrange an appointment for fuel assistance.

God Bless America and a pleasant week to all.

Bereavement support group offered for adults

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Location, day and time to be announced by the needs of all participants. A sliding fee scale will be available.

Call 978-683-6711 for more information.

Obituary

Nan E. Rose

born in Norway; at 78

LEWISTON, ME. - Nan E. Rose, 78, of Sanford, Maine, died December 5, 2001 at Montello Manor in Lewiston, Maine.

Born December 6, 1922 in the country of Norway, she was the daughter of Bjane and Tora Omdal. She moved to the U.S.A. in 1948, to Brooklyn, NY, where she met her husband at a clock shop in NY. She then lived in Lawrence before moving to Sanford in 1979.

Mrs. Rose was in her early 20s when she was shot during the beginning of World War II and was taken by the German's to a hospital where she spent six weeks.

She was the widow of Earl P. Rose who died in 1990 and is survived by her sons Peter W. Rose of Danville, NH and Lloyd M. Rose of Tyngsboro, MA.

A period of visitation was scheduled for Friday, December 7 at the Heald Funeral Home, 580 Main Street, Springvale, Maine, where a funeral also took place Saturday, December 8 at 11:30 a.m.

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